Dog policy, bylaw and regional park access rules 2025

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Most responsible dog wakers work with a maximum of 10 dogs. This is around the number that is required to ensure a financial balance between return for effort of the dog walker and price to customers per dog. The proposed limit of six will price dog walkers out of the market.

The issue is not the number of dogs, but the responsibility and cpability of the dog walker.

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there is a need to engage directly with the dog walkers association and to establish a code of conduct or licensing programme that they can work under so that they can safely manage the dogs in their care, ensuring the public are also safe and not disrupted.

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Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Support

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

All dogs, no matter their classification, should be neutered.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

The area where you live should not be taken into account. The same rule should apply no matter where you live. It is extremely unfair to expect people to have to rehome their dog because they are moving to an area that requires them to do so. There should be the same rule for cats: some house have too many cats and they also endanger wildlife and no one does anything about it!

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Where is the update?? I cannot find it!!!

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

2b means that once this is further developped there is no off leash area left.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

No off leash area in winter!! This is ridiculous!!

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Mahurangi Scott Point

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Tell us why

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Do not support

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Control is simply not about the number of dogs in a group, but the knowledge of the handler, how they have implemented the group and what management strategies and training they are consistently doing while walking. The errors made do not equate to the number of dogs yet the lack of handler control.

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Support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Qualified behaviouralist or vet behaviouralist - not council staff who's bulk of experience is dogs they've seen through council (no offence but they aren't the nicest dogs lol)

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Should be licensed to own any dog, auckland is in a homeless dog crisis.

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Should involve the industry in the decision making

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

Cutting back a huge area that dog owners enjoy - no offence but public have plenty of other dog free spaces.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Big beach that needs dedicated dog spaces

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Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Lots of room for error in current bylaws

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

I support it however I think it should be limited to four. I have a disability assistance dog that has been hassled by dog walkers and it makes accessing the community much harder than it should be

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Pitbull type dogs are now being labelled as staffys or lab mixes to skirt the laws of having to have restrictions. I was attacked by a pitbull off leash while at the no dog part of muriwai between the flags with my assistance dog. I was told that by the owner it was a staffy not a pitbull as they ran off. It sure looked like a pitbull to me and was unneutered and aggressive.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

I am sick of the pitbull type dogs that lunge at me while walking with my assistance dog. Even when they are on leash (which is rarely) there owners have little control and seem to bring them to the most inappropriate places. Disability dogs should be able to do their jobs without threat of attack

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash

Tell us why

6 dogs is still too much. If it's 3 off leash + 3 on leash I don't see how the person can control the 3 off leash dog while having another 3 dogs on leash.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Provide examples as some people don't seem to be following this.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Yes please make it clearer and have a guideline

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Make it clear that roaming dogs still count. Ie, you Jane 7 dogs and they roam thus they are technically not on your property. This is a loophole.

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Make it clearer and I'd the dogs can be off leash.

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

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I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

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Need more enforcement on dog control.

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Why are dogs prohibited if they are under control ON LEASH??? Why not strictly enforce people breaking the law off leash and allow dog access when on leash?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Long Bay carpark don't even allow dogs IN THE CAR. It is CONTAINED in the car! I don't see why why I can't drive through with a dog inside the car. That is silly. The people living next to Long Bay do they have dogs AT HOME? If they can have dogs inside t

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Most dog walkers are very responsible and knowledgeable, good dog owners will only pay and engage with responsible dog walkers. If dog walkers are not providing good service, their business won't last. This should be regulatory enough for dog walkers.

Regulating dog walkers are not addressing the issues of roaming dogs or abandoned dogs/puppies. So instead of focusing on dog walkers why not shift that focus to dog owners. Find a way to get all dogs registered, and mandatory neuter/spay dogs that doesn't pass ideal genetics tests. Get irresponsible dog owner's dogs mandatory neutered/spayed. Give Animal Management Officer more authority & resources to make these decisions, and impose heavier punishments on irresponsible dog owners.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

Having more than 3 dogs off lead leads to pack behaviour. Not easy to control them.

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

We used the services of an extremely competent and fabulous dog walker for several years. Natasha from Nats Pack was such a talented dog handler. She took our nervy, slightly difficult dog on probably 50 or more walks with a pack of up to maybe 15 varied dogs - big, small, fluffy and tough looking ones. They were off lead for part of every walk and there was never a problem, we were never anything but thrilled with her service. Please don’t blanket punish all the genuinely talented dog whisperers out there just to keep the cowboys under control. They will drop off anyway as dog owners realise that they’re not the real deal.

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I support the proposed change

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Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

Most of these are professional dog walkers so make them pay a licence to walk even 6 they are getting paid enough.

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Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

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What local board area is this location in?

Henderson-Massey

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

Other - please specify:.

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

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Please explain your issue in more detail:

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Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Target the usual suspects with their unlicenced mainly PITBULLS running loose like mad things. They are the ones causing the grief not the licenced dogs either on leash or trained to recall. Look a stuff this week German Couple attacked in Massey by three

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Do not support

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Rules need to be made by consultating with the PDWA, their should be a maximum amount of dogs walked by one person but the off lead rule should be the same as the number of dogs walked or the rule could be that dogs should be attached to a loose long line.

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Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

This change if implemented would severely affect professional dog walkers whom provide a fantastic solution for dog owners, and who in their professional capacity do keep their group dogs under control. They are a great training tool for dogs that can take instruction and can be controlled. They provide a service to the wider community by enabling their trained dogs to be dogs that can be controlled by their owners. Controlled and trained dogs is what Auckalnd needs and they provide the basis of this for many dog owners

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

We have amazing dog walkers who train and walk my dog twice a week, by limiting the number of dogs they walk you will ruin their business model.

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

There is obviously a problem with some cowboy operators who are walking an unsafe amount of dogs in an unhealthy manner for those dogs (such as not having control over the dogs, walking a large number too closely grouped together so the dogs don't have personal space, leading to stress and making control over the dogs harder).

Instead of a hard limit i would prefer Auckland Council or otherwise to issue a dog walking license, or work with an industry body who could issue licenses.

Dog walkers

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other

areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

#259

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#274

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

I don't believe that one person can control more than 6 dogs at once, especially off leash. I have personally been rushed by packs of off lead dogs being walked while walking my own dog. I have also had to put myself in harms by by walking on a busy road because the footpath has been blocked by people walking about 10 dogs on lead. I've seen videos of dogs and walkers going off the track on walks that are being protected from kauri dieback. I know people who live near riverhead forest who no longer can use it for recreation due to being attacked and chased, especially while they were riding horses. Dog pack walkers make going out into nature much more scary for normal people

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Long bay is the only local beach where people can enjoy the summer weather with their dogs. I think having dogs on lead is sufficient

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

To help support professional dog walkers and regulate the industry. I am a CISA NZ walker who is held up to their standards and code of conduct, their limit is 12.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

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Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#304

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum eight dogs, with no more than four off-leash

Tell us why

It is the owners of bad dogs that need dealing to. Not good Trained Dog Walkers who always have their dogs under control. Why should our dogs not be able to go out and have a lovely time with our Professional Dog Walker because of bad Owners of dogs who let them roam the streets. The issues that have arisen have been 99% caused by bad dog owners not having their dogs under control. Dog Walkers have to run a successful business to survive and if the Council destroy their business their will be more unruly dogs roaming the streets.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

These rules have to be discussed in Consultation with the Dog Walkers Association and also need to be represented by All Professional Dog Walkers. This discussion should not just be up to Councillors without full representation to of Dog Owners as well as Professional Dog Walkers putting their cases forward. Also we do have dogs and all owners should be fully informed of their responsibilities and dogs are wonderful pets and save hundreds of people's lives. There has to be places that they are allowed to be walked. By taking away areas which aren't very populated and lovely areas for dogs to be walked you are taking away how our dogs are treated and places that they are able to be walked with virtually no trouble. So why let a few bad owners ruin it for Professional Dog Walkers who are responsible.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park,Hunua Ranges Regional Park,Long Bay Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park,Pākiri Regional Park,Tāwharanui Regional Park,Te Ārai Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

How many dog attacks have happened in these areas from dogs being walked by Professional Dog Walkers. Again irresponsible owners dogs for the most part.

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

In part some of what is proposed has merit but not all of it. It can be spelt out and structured in a much better and fairer way.

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

The way it is set up currently works very well with virtually no incidents.

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

The way it currently is has caused virtually no issues and as long as dogs are under full control of dog owners or Professional Dog Walkers at all times. Lambing Season should be respected and this needs more discussion with all concerned.

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

If dogs are under Control and on a leash they should be allowed as in the current laws.

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

The Status Quo should stay as is.

Shakespear Regional Park

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

The Status Quo should remain.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

The Status.Quo should continue provided they are under full control.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

The Status Quo should be preserved.

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Dogs are part of our lives and as such have a very important part of New Zealand and the families that own them. There has to be rules but these rules must be sensible and produced after lengthy discussion with all concerned such as dog owners, Professio

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#311

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

That proposal is utterly vague. It makes no concrete suggestion so I could be supporting something I disagree with.

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Do not support

Tell us why

Because clarify likely means, restrict more.

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don't know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don't know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park,Auckland Botanic Gardens,Hunua Ranges Regional Park,Long Bay Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Tāwharanui Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#332

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Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: Upper Harbour

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Even 6 seems a bit high as it depends on the type of dogs. There should be a new register and certification for people who want to be dog walkers

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Hunua Ranges Regional Park,Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

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Long Bay Regional Park

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Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

There should be exemptions for official dog walkers or a licensing system. Our dog has been walked with a professional for years and benefits enormously from the socialisation. The walker is qualified and easily handles more than six dogs. I'd hate to see legitimate businesses like hers suffer when a licensing system would be a better alternative.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

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Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#448

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Pākiri Regional Park,Te Ārai Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Off leash is being allowed and this is harder to manage, than on leash... So why ban on leash?

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

What is the reasoning?

If on leash, it should not be a problem.

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

It should off leash early morning and evening and on leash controls during day.

It's a big beach, plenty of space for all enjoy.

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

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Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

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Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Police and penalise dog owners that don’t follow rules. Don’t penalise law abiding dog owners with restrictions.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#466

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

It would be good to have the contact numbers on signs for dog control should anyone want to report anything.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park,Long Bay Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Tāwharanui Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

It keeps animals, families and areas safer. Allows people to access some areas if dogs are on leads only.

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I don't know

Tell us why

Dogs should be prohibited from this area all year round. There needs to be a balance and areas where people can go without dogs. Dogs often run up the tracks here into the reserve that is ment to be prohibited at all times.

Mahurangi Regional Park

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We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

Tell us why

Why does it need to be seasonal? Why can't the rules be the same all year. The beaches aren't limited to summer. It would allow people camping there to have better access all year and those who viist

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

It's an area of importance, dogs would hurt the wildlife and have negative impacts on the environment

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

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Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Long bay

What local board area is this location in?

Hibiscus and Bays

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To reduce owner-related problems (e.g. owner ignoring rules, dogs not under control, dog faeces not picked up, etc). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

People don't follow the rules. Dogs are always wondering up into the reserve. We have no beaches that are for "dogs" . Every beach has dog poo on the grass , sand it's a mess everywhere and discusting. A blanket rule would give everyone clarity and a beac

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

As above.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash unless licence obtained

Tell us why

No dogs should be allowed unleashed.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

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Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

No

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi East

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

You should require those operating pack walking businesses to be registered and prove they can operate safely.

Not all pack walkers operate the same way.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

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Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

We are a young family with a dog and not being able to being our dog to Long Bay would make us find an alternative. Excluding dogs during what is a peak period is not right. There are kids and adults who damage our parks more than dogs, graffiti, rubbish, noise pollution etc.

Mahurangi Regional Park

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

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Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Sanders Reserve

What local board area is this location in?

Rodney

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To respond to opportunities for greater dog access without impacting other users (e.g. an area to take a dog under control off a leash). Please specify:There is currently a section of the reserve where dogs have to be on lead. He whole area should be off lead.

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

As above

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

agreed that pack of dogs require more skill and ability to control, and it could impose risks to certain degree on other people if the pack does not behave as they should be in public.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

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Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I use a dog walker company and it's great for socialising and the dogs have fun together there have been no issues whatsoever why try and fix something that's not broken.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#644

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Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

If not dog owner then must be licensed. Then max four on leash and two off in all cases.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

I support this new restriction as it's hard to imagine how one person could be even aware of what more than three dogs are doing when they're freely roaming a large open area. Also being approached by a pack of dogs off leash (even if friendly) can be frightening to people and other dogs.

Regarding the limit of 6 dogs on leash - I can imagine someone being able to be in control of more than 6 small dogs on leash, but probably not very large ones. Maybe there could be limits in busy areas like city parks and beaches, but no limits in areas designated for dogs like dog exercise areas?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Please do not ban dogs on Forestry Beach. This is a lovely, very long beach not too far from Auckland that is very popular with dog owners. In particular surfers and family day trippers. Beach is so huge it’s really easy to find a spot away from everyone

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Cost prohibitive to change rules as dog walkers will not sustain businesses.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don’t know

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Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Mahurangi East

I support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Larger number of dogs is harder to control, and not everyone, especially children, like to have dogs come up to them, it can be scary for some people.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Pet Dogs (as opposed to working dogs such as seeing eye dogs etc.) should be on leash in public places and kept away from playgrounds, and areas designed for children.

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

Only that there should be a happy balance between dogs as loveable pets and those who do not wish to interact with them, not being forced to.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Long bay regional park and beach is a place that families come to and while I appreciate that some families do have pets, those who don't want to have dogs running around interrupting their experiences shouldn't have to.

I fully support these changes

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Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

None

What local board area is this location in?

I don't know

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

Other - please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

none

Please explain your issue in more detail:

0

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

none

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

All the dogwalkers I know are trained professional who have total control of their packs. This will mean the end of numerous small businesses.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

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Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

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Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

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Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#712

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

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Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

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Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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Tell us why

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We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#735

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Hunua Ranges Regional Park,Long Bay Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

The originalal restrictions are plain and m7ch simpler.putting on more clauses will just make it hard for people to follow.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Just make it plain and simple like it is now. No other extra clauses to make it confusing

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Allow dogs to roam as long as they are controlled and on leash

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I don't know

Mahurangi Scott Point

I don't know

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Make regional parks more friendlier and accessible to dogs as long as they are on leash and controlled.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#754

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Reasonable setting to retain control over dogs in walker's care

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Neutering dangerous dogs does not necessarily change their behaviour but they tend to be more submissive to other dogs and a little easier to train.

Stops them passing on their agresive traits.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

This must be rigorously enforced to avoid the situation of irresponsible owners allowing unplanned breeding of their dogs.

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

The overall tenor of the proposals strike me as reasonable. As a dog owner I mostly exercise my dog on a lead as do many others but unfortunately some owners disregard rules that are there to ensure all users of space are catered for.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

It is a generous freedom given to dog owners.

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Need to enforce dog control where they conflict with wildlife, especially nesting sites.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#759

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

While I fully support Auckland council making the effort to ensure all people & dogs are safe, I do not think this should apply to professional dog trainers. Professionals know how to handle their dog packs, taking away their ability to walk packs of dogs larger than 6 would effectively put some out of business. We need more affordable trainers available to ensure dog owners can afford/have access to a reputable trainer to improve canine behaviour in Auckland

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#811

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

The proposed changes will have a huge impact on current dog pack walk groups. These professionals who manage and maintain multiple dogs have a great benefit for the dogs mentally and physically and restricitng the amount they can walk actually doesnt provide any benefit. Our dog has benefited greatly from larger walking group socialising with mutliple dogs, getting the mental and physical stamina from the larger group of dogs to run and burn energy and also the training he recieved as being part of big pack group has meant that we a family can take him anywhere without a doubt knowing he is trained, well behaved and under our control.

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I do not support the proposed limits on the number of dogs a person may walk in council-controlled public places for the following reasons:

1. Unnecessary Regulation

The proposed regulation is an additional layer of control that is not necessary. The majority of dog owners and professional dog walkers already take their responsibilities seriously, training and managing their dogs effectively. Introducing a regulation that will be difficult to enforce undermines trust in the community's ability to self-regulate.

2. Challenges with Enforcement

Unless Auckland Council significantly increases staff and resources to monitor compliance, this regulation is unlikely to be enforceable. Without consistent enforcement, the policy risks being ignored, leading to frustration and confusion among dog owners.

3. Negative Impact on Professional Dog Walkers

This policy disproportionately impacts professional dog walkers, many of whom walk more than three dogs off-leash at a time as part of their livelihood. By limiting the number of dogs they can manage, the policy threatens their ability to operate viable businesses.

4. Focus on Responsible Ownership Instead

Rather than imposing arbitrary limits, the Council should focus on promoting responsible dog ownership and behaviour. For example:

- Providing meaningful education for dog owners on effective training and control.
- Offering incentives for participation in dog training programmes.
- Strengthening penalties for incidents involving uncontrolled dogs.

5. No Evidence of a Widespread Problem

The proposal seems to lack a strong evidence base demonstrating that walking multiple dogs, particularly off-leash, presents a significant issue in Auckland's public spaces. Policies should be evidence-driven to ensure they address real, not perceived, concerns.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

I support the proposal to restructure the policy to more clearly outline its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules. However, I strongly urge the Council to ensure that any changes result in a policy that is simple, concise, and easy for the public to understand and follow.

Many people will not have the time or inclination to wade through overly bureaucratic or technical language. Policies should be accessible to everyone, regardless of their familiarity with council processes.

I'd suggest that the Council develop a user-friendly digital tool, such as a mobile app or interactive website, so that people can easily check the rules applicable to their local area.

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Do not support

Tell us why

I do not support the requirement that all dogs classified as menacing must be neutered.

The classification of certain breeds as inherently menacing lacks a strong evidence base. There is little convincing research to suggest that dogs are born menacing purely due to their breed. Behaviour is far more likely to be influenced by upbringing, training, and treatment by their owners.

The issue of menacing behaviour is often the result of being neglected, mistreated, or lack of proper training. Instead of enforcing blanket rules such as neutering, I believe Auckland Council should invest more in:

- Public education campaigns to promote responsible dog ownership.
- Licensing requirements that ensure dog owners are adequately trained, ie make prospective dog owners to attend approved seminars, etc.
- Increased funding for animal control staff to address specific problem cases effectively.

Forcing neutering on animals is a blanket solution that does not address the root causes of aggressive behaviour. Responsible owners of well-behaved dogs may be unfairly penalised under such a rule. Neutering decisions should remain at the discretion of the owner in consultation with a veterinarian.

I believe that to address menacing behaviour you should focus on prevention and rehabilitation rather than punishment. Targeted interventions, such as behaviour assessments and training requirements for identified problem dogs, would be a more equitable and effective solution.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Do not support

Tell us why

I do not support this suggestion as it seems unlikely to achieve meaningful engagement. The majority of people will not read or engage with detailed clarifications of dog access rules, aside from a small number of nerd with too much free time to waste.

Rather than focusing on administrative clarifications, the Council should prioritise practical matters relating to animal control, eg:

- Addressing broader issues, such as the management of stray animals (including cats)
- Enhancing education and public awareness about responsible pet ownership
- Allocating resources to improve enforcement and community engagement in a way that has a tangible impact.

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Auckland Council is stuck in the 19th century when it comes to animal policies. Stop micromanaging dogs and start thinking bigger. Why aren't we seeing enforceable policies for cats, which roam freely and cause environmental damage? Dogs, on the other hand, deserve more freedom—not less. Let them on public transport, into shopping malls, and more public spaces. Other cities have figured this out. Why can't we?

Every few years (is it every three years?), you roll out these policy reviews that no one but bureaucrats reads. What's the point? Most dog owners are responsible, and those who aren't won't magically change because of a policy rewrite. Instead of writing rules no one follows, focus on real action—like properly funding animal control and education.

Dogs don't need more restrictions - they need better integration into city life. Let's stop treating them like a nuisance and start recognising their place in the community.

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

I support correcting these. But why do you think you need to ask such a silly question?

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

LOL, I can't believe you really need to consult on this non-issue.

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

This proposal is utterly ridiculous. I strongly oppose the changes. The rules are already confusing, and this amendment will only make them worse. Good luck to anyone trying to figure out where dogs are or aren't allowed—it's a bureaucratic nightmare.

I've taken my pup to Long Bay many times, and the current rules are already hard enough to navigate. Adding more restrictions won't improve anything. If anything, you should focus on creating simple, enforceable policies that people can actually follow.

Unless you plan to have staff patrolling the park full-time, these rules won't work. People with small dogs already take them everywhere at Long Bay, whether the rules allow it or not. Instead of wasting resources on unenforceable restrictions, focus on educating dog owners and ensuring people control their pets.

If you're looking to make the beach a better experience for everyone, how about addressing the real nuisances—like unsupervised kids running wild and leaving rubbish everywhere? Prohibit children during the day if you're so keen on banning something. Dogs, on the other hand, are usually well-behaved and under control.

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Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

This proposal is a perfect example of over-complication. If you think anyone will read, let alone understand, this labyrinth of rules, you're delusional. People go to Muriwai to enjoy the beach, not to memorise a legal document.

I've taken my pup there s

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I don't know

Tell us why

Let's be real—does anyone actually follow these rules? This proposal is another layer of unnecessary bureaucracy that overcomplicates what should be simple and practical guidelines for dog owners.

The rules are already a tangled mess, and this amendment

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Instead of making a blanket rule, dog walkers should be subject to specific standards that they must comply to in order to operate - this can be like the food rating system. Those who have taken the time to receive training and are dedicated dog handlers/behaviouralists will comply and it will weed out the cowboys.

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I do not support the proposed change

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Only change the off-leash area to north of the rose gardens before 10am and after 5pm (on-leash between 10am and 5pm)

Tell us why

I think it is unfair to not allow the dogs into the stream. It is a necessary place for them to cool off during warmer weather or after a good play. It is also a space for enrichment for dogs, to lose this would be unfair to the individuals who cannot take their dogs to other bodies of water

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Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

N/A

What local board area is this location in?

I don't know

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

Other - please specify:N/A

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

N/A

Please explain your issue in more detail:

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Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#919

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Do not support

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Instead of setting limits, regulate the dog walking industry. Our dog walker, can easily manage 12 dogs and she is extremely competent with dogs on and off leash, limiting the number of dogs would severely affect her business and would not be able to continue providing the service. I know other dog walkers are in a similar position. They are keen to be regulated so irresponsible walkers can't be left in charge of so many dogs.

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Tell us why

Too many dogs roam free.

No dogs should be off leash.

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Support

Tell us why

Too many owners take the dog to the park or allow them to defecate off their property.I witnessed many not picking up after their dogs.

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

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Support

Tell us why

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I don’t know

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

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Next there should be laws for roaming cats also

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

North Shore

What local board area is this location in?

Upper Harbour

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To reduce owner-related problems (e.g. owner ignoring rules, dogs not under control, dog faeces not picked up, etc). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

There are dog faeces everywhere

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

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Support

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Tell us why

Even a single person has a hard time controlling one dog, let alone having multiple dogs would be impossible and too dangerous to both the dogs and humans out in the public. Dogs are unpredictable when it comes to pack walks or in a large group of dogs. Very well trained dogs can suddenly become aggressive if triggered by rude/untrained dogs, so I support the limitation for the sake of safety.

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No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposed by-law changes that would limit the number of dogs that can be walked at one time. These restrictions would severely impact local businesses, particularly qualified dog walkers, making their operations unfeasible.

As a dog parent to a 4 year-old german shepherd, I consider pack walking an essential service that helps my dog stay calm, social, and well-trained. This service provides crucial mental, physical, and social stimulation, preventing behavioral issues such as excessive barking and reactivity.

Rather than imposing limits on the number of dogs, I believe the focus should be on licensing and regulating who can operate pack-walking services. Qualified professionals—those with formal training, certifications, and experience—should be permitted to walk larger packs, ensuring high industry standards. This approach would address concerns about unqualified operators who do not adhere to best practices, unlike dedicated professionals who prioritize safety and public courtesy.

Reducing pack sizes may also increase costs, making these services unaffordable for many dog owners and potentially forcing reputable operators out of business. This could lead to more dogs being left home alone, which would negatively impact their well-being and contribute to nuisance behaviors in our community.

Personally, if these changes were implemented, it would mean my dog would need to stay home alone while I am at work, leading to increased anxiety and a decline in social skills

I urge the council to reconsider this proposal and instead focus on licensing and regulating professional dog walkers to ensure high standards and accountability. Please consult with relevant industry experts, such as the Professional Dog Walkers Association, before making any decisions that could significantly impact both businesses and dog owners alike.

I also believe putting more restrictions on where people can walk dogs is Ludacris, alot of the proposed areas where they plan to restrict, people barely use, it's becoming harder and harder to find places to exercise a dog in auckland.

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Long Bay Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1018

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Prohibited at the beach and playground I agree with. On a lead or in the car should be fine.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1022

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I think you should offer licences for professional dog walkers

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

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Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

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Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1035

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

People.need to be able to control their dogs. Too many things could go wrong with too many dogs with one person's supervision

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

I do hope the off leash hours at beaches and reserves stay the same as they are now. Would be good to have the rules clear and concise so everyone can understand their obligations.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Muriwai Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

This makes it very clear where dogs are allowed if you know the area well. Will need signs I would think, so it's very clear.

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1044

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Classic case of few ruining it for many, those pack walkers that caused issues will continue to flaunt to rules regardless while those that care about dogs and are trained behaviourist taking it seriously will have their businesses rendered non viable.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

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Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

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Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

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Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

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Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

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Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1046

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I think it's worth to note that this new policy/ law has come in without talking directly to those affected. For dog pack walkers they walk up to 10-20 dogs at a time in a controlled environment. They aren't just let off straight away. There is multiple training that goes involved for the dog walkers to be comfortable to let the dog of leash and training aids/ measures. If the law has less than 10 off leash Pack walkers business will not be sustainable and in turn dogs will not be walked. For some these pack walkers business help train dogs with walking and in their behaviour. Personally first hand they train these dogs to behave in a positive way that owners don't have the time for. If these business cannot be sustained then there may be more dog fights or issues as owners cannot walk there dogs etc

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don't know

Tell us why

I do believe that there should be rules but I think the council should talk to dog walkers and pack walkers to see how they can implement these rules that won't affect them and their business. I do believe there should be rules but not the one that is trying to be proposed

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

I do support dogs being clipped due to aggressive behaviour however I don't believe that clipping will stop the issue and the dog will need numerous training to help them through

this issue but also the owner to be trained on how to deal with the dog long term to avoid this issue again. Most of the time the dog acts aggressive due to poor training from the owner. Reactive dogs can be worked on correctly if the owner knows what to do etc

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

TALK to Dog pack walkers and how this will effect and affect them before implementing this proposed policy and bylaw and see how this could be alterd to support these business as it will effect not only the dogs (and in turn may cause more issues) but also effect those that work there and will make them not have a job due to this policy and bylaw being unsustainable for the business (ie not enough dogs to be able to walk, cost per walk will go up in price that some people won't be able to afford, then not enough money going towards the business to be sustained)

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1074

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash

Tell us why

maximum of 4 dogs all on a leash

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Long Bay Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1097

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

A licencing system based on skill level with the ability to be rescinded if the licence holder is unable to control the multiple dogs

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1100

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1132

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Have used packwalkers in the past before and as long as they're trained professionals, they are not causing any danger to the public. It's up to the dogs owner to do their research before sending their dogs with a pack walker

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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I don’t know

Tell us why

Having clear rules is always good, but hard to say if it will be really better if there is no context or example of these changes

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

The current rules are too restrictive to dog owners, especially for the ones that have well behaved dogs and cannot access most of the ammenities in Auckland. Very frustrating living in a place where you can't choose freely where to bring your dog or only finding out dogs are not allowed when you arrive.

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Dogs not allowed in vehicles is a non sense rule.

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

I want to go for hikes and walks and bring along my well behaved dog.

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don't know

Tell us why

Sometimes having duplicate content is good since everything is so hard to find in council website

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

We need more flexibility to bring our well behaved dogs where we want so that we can enjoy the city like all other people.

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

My dog is well behaved and o want to be off leash. There is no sense on putting restrictions if control can be maintained

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

All the proposals are trying to limit even more the rules that are already to restrictive and preventative of having a good time. Well behaved dogs that can be controlled should be allowed off leash at all times

Mahurangi Regional Park

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Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Again, where are the fair rules for well behaved dogs that can be controlled off leash? This change will only reduce even more the already too few leisure options we have to bring our dogs. Totally unfair for well behaved and under control dogs

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

This one appears to be more flexible than the current rules, so o support it! It appears to be going in the right direction and starting to become fair to well Behaved dogs.

We should be able to get a license to walk well behaved dogs off leash.

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

I support this for many reasons, firstly it's unfair that dog walkers use council parks as their business locations charging customers money for work on public land but do not pay a concession fee, when food trucks, horse riders etc all pay concession. Secondly it's extremely dangerous for any unskilled person to have a "dog pack" packs can be easily distracted and be threatening for other walkers, dogs, wildlife, horses. The more dogs going somewhere at once also creates more damage to the environment and potential for waste.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

All people with more than 3 dogs should have a very good reason to have them. Eg farmer, foster, volunteer org, or dog trainer. Nz kennel club registered breeder. Anyone else should not be allowed any more dogs.

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

I don't know

Tell us why

We need more clarity on dog access on the council website but where the rules come from doesn't matter. The subject matter experts should decide that- in favour of wildlife protection.

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Do not support

Tell us why

I support dogs being allowed in more public places provided they are not aggressive or off lead.

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don't know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don't know

Tell us why

I support dog walking on maunga

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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I support the proposed change

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

I haven't found dogs to be an issue here on many of the tracks. Can they not continue waking these on lead?

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I don’t know

Tell us why

Seems to be even more confusing.

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Tell us why

Very detailed will need lots of signage.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Make park rangers able to issue on the spot fines so AMOs don’t have to come out.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Do not support

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Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash unless licence obtained

Tell us why

I think the number is irrelevant, but licences should be able to be obtained for those who have dog walking businesses where this amendment would put them out of business, and take recreation opportunities away from dogs who are part of full time working families. The 6 and 3 number is fine for the average member of the public but there should be the ability to exceed this if you are a business.

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

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Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

I don't know

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Mahurangi Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Tāwharanui Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Changes are ridiculous

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

It should be auckland wide not specific areas

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

It should be auckland wide and not specific areas

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

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Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Do not support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

There are many amazing dog walking services that take fantastic care of many dogs and take them on adventures every day. By limiting the number of dogs you will be destroying people's livelihoods. You have no right to limit or control people in any way, especially if it affects their means of income. Why do you want to limit the number? Who gives you the right to tell these people that they can't safely walk 20 dogs at a time when that's what they do every day successfully. Stop government overreach. Stop nanny state. Stop limiting people and their animals.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

What does that even mean? Very vague wording for something you mean to clarify...

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Do not support

Tell us why

Just because you classify a dog as meanacing, doesn't mean it is. Usually it's the owners who need to be neutered not the dogs. Don't punish the dog for the bad behaviour if the human.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Do not support

Tell us why

Adding more specific government chosen people to do jobs we don't actually need. More costs, more red tape etc.

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

Again with the limiting of people's choices. You should be able to do what you want on your own property as long as you aren't harming or damaging other people's property.

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

I don’t know

Tell us why

What does this even mean? Vague again.

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

I don’t know

Tell us why

What are the clarifications?

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

I don't see why dogs aren't able to access some locations. If they are under control, they should be able to go anywhere with their owner.

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

I don't even know what many of your proposed changes are as you haven't actually stated the changes so it's hard to comment.

Dogs should have many more freedoms than they are currently allowed. If they are well trained and under control they should be allowed off leash anywhere as dogs are often more aggressive and uncontrollable when they are on leash. Dogs shouldn't be restricted to small, muddy pits that pass as dog parks. They need to run and walk and play freely. I'm tired if government limiting and controlling everything we do. We pay more than enough for registration of our dogs and all we get in return is rules and restrictions.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

My dog has been part of a dog 'pack' which has been life changing for her. They have never had an incident with their large group of dogs as they are properly trained. It would be unfair to impact their business and livelihood due to a small number of rogue untrained people who have ruined it for others.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I think that there needs to be regulation of commercial dog walkers and they need to be licensed. Many experienced professional dog walkers can capably handle multiple dogs and can make a living, walking multiple dogs safely in areas away from the public. However it is walkers that don't know how to handle multiple dogs that cause the issues. Commercial walkers should be examined in order to be issued with a licensed and then assessed annually/ bi annually to maintain their licence. If licensed they should then be able to have up to 10 dogs at any time.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other

areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1209

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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1. Walking multiple dogs
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3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Issues with commercial dog walkers not having multiple dogs under control

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Agree they should be neutered, but need flexibility on the age at desexing. Currently 6mth seems to be the required age but veterinary recommendations are not to desex large breeds later than this for multiple health and behavioral benefits. Allow exemptions with letter from vet?

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Muriwai Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Tāwharanui Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-

leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1216

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1218

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This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Bring the cats regulations!!! The cats must be registered, chipped, not allowed to wonder around without owners. Example: a cat came to our property, attacked 2 our dogs. One dog almost died, we paid over $2000 of excess insurance costs for surgery and hospitalisation. No way to even find whose the cat was, why it was in our enclosed backyard.

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Do not support

Tell us why

Bring the cats regulations!!! The cats must be registered, chipped, not allowed to wonder around without owners. Example: a cat came to our property, attacked 2 our dogs. One dog almost died, we paid over $2000 of excess insurance costs for surgery and hospitalisation. No way to even find whose the cat was, why it was in our enclosed backyard.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

I don’t know

Tell us why

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hospitalisation. No way to even find whose the cat was, why it was in our enclosed backyard.

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

I don't know

Tell us why

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Clarify how dog access rules are set:

I don't know

Tell us why

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Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

I don't know

Tell us why

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Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don't know

Tell us why

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don't know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1245

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This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park,Long Bay Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Bird life

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

To many dogs running free and not under control.

Families playing and swimming don't want dogs running around.

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other

areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

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We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

There are limited beaches that you can walk your dogs on in summer. Lond Bay is one of the few beaches on the North Shore that you can walk your dog. I find that NZ has one of the tightest dog control laws in the world and as a whole is not a dog friendly country.

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

I agree that dogs should not be allocated by the Gannet colony. But again too tight dog laws restricting dogs

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Clarify how dog access rules are set:

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

As a North Shore resident Long Bay has always been a great spot to walk my dog and allow it to cool off in the Summer on a leash. During daylight summer hours there are minimal options that allow this for my dog. I already feel as though the dog access rules in Auckland are extremely restricted. I commonly have to drive at least 30min or out of Auckland to give my dog a long adequate walk in Summer. Changing the rules to prohibit dog access during summer also negatively affects my dog as its exercise options are greatly reduced since practically every other beach in Auckland has banned dogs in this way.

Once schools go back at end of January, there are usually minimal people on the beach during working hours, likewise when the weather is bad the beach is empty - quite often it is only dog walkers utilising the beach during this time. Enforcing this rule would mean that the beach is not utilised efficiently during these times as dog walkers will not be able to access. Perhaps the summer period should also be shortened to end of Jan?

Dogs are an essential part of Auckland life - overly restricting their access within the community would negatively impact the wellbeing of dog owners and walkers within the community. The wellbeing of dogs is also negatively impacted as they cannot enjoy the beaches in Summer and cool down in the ocean.

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

I strongly support this proposed change and believe it will improve safety in general and provide a better experience for those dogs being walked by 'pack' walkers.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

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Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

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Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

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Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?
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Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.
A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park
We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).
What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Perhaps half the population do not like dogs now?

Reducing the number of dogs permitted outdoors at any one time is sensible.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

I've had too many encounters of dog walkers with large packs both on and offlead rush up to my onlead dogs and cause problems. I rarely head to where other dog walkers are now as it has become dangerous for me as a pregnant woman to walk in places such as muriwai and riverhead

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

The rules still confuse people and it causes problems. Please simplify for those who don't understand

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Only dog behaviorist should be making those calls, people are not qualified and mistakes can be made

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

This is already clear and has been for years. Please don't overdo it and try and fix things which are not broken

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

I have a feeling, or an educated assumption, that this will allow council to correct mistakes by creating further rules and restrictions for dog access....we are already limited on where we can take them, please don't make it harder

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Do not support

Tell us why

My wife and child are tangata whenua and would like to be able to share these places with their dogs too. Our dogs create less damage than people do.

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Only change the off-leash area to north of the rose gardens before 10am and after 5pm (on-leash between 10am and 5pm)

Tell us why

Your initial proposal is even more complicated and restrictive, why would you consider making it worse?

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Again, more restrictions for d9g owners making it stressful to find somewhere to walk

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Absolutely against this. Long bay is one of the few places where dogs can be taken during the day. I'm a regular here WITHOUT my dogs and I love seeing the dogs being walked and mist people obey the unleaded rule. Please stop taking away people's access to walk dogs, we have nowhere to go!

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Yes because it gives us more access to grass areas. This seems to be the only policy that does so.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Same as muriwai, this gives us more access to share spaces with lead restrictions

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Instead of creating rules for people out walking and taking care of dogs, put time and money towards dogs that are neglected or abused and don't even get a walk.

As long as dogs are under control, who cares how many are being walked at once

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

There are already so many limitations on where you can exercise your dog which is just as important as walking. Walking is not fully exercising a dog as they need to have freedom to run and play. Off-leash activities for dogs are essential to the continued good health of the animals. Auckland Botanical Gardens have one of the only summer off leash areas available.

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

The restrictions on Dogs on the Auckland beaches will mean that in summer we will not be able to take our dogs on the beach between 10am and 5pm. We use Long Bay at least 3 times a week travelling from Hobsonville as it is a great beach for the dog and has direct access from the southern car park. These proposals mean that we will have very limited access to provide our dog with much needed exercise.

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Tell us why

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Long Bay Beach

What local board area is this location in?

I don't know

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To respond to opportunities for greater dog access without impacting other users (e.g. an area to take a dog under control off a leash). Please specify:Same as the current area allowed for dogs

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Dogs need to be exercised fully to ensure their health and the wellbeing of the dog and their owners. That exercise must include off leash activities.

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

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Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Auckland is the most restrictive regarding dogs and will be the reason we move at the first opportunity. Why not consider having a licence system that requires an owner to test for dog training to allow off leash, demonstrating control of the dog.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

The restructuring of the policy is aimed at reducing where dogs can go whereas it does not address the underlying issues of stray dogs and dogs that have been left to roam by there owners.

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

I see this as another way council is obtaining further funding.

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Do not support

Tell us why

The council is again ignoring the underlying issues that responsible Dog owners are being penalised for people who get dogs and let them roam, don't look after them, it would be more efficient to increase penalties against those people who have dogs under their control and are not looking after them appropriately to be prosecuted.

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Do not support

Tell us why

There needs to be consideration that a dog or dogs are travelling with their owner, for example in a motorhome throughout New Zealand and to come to Auckland and find that there are restrictions as to where you can park with your dog in your motorhome is ludicrous..

Dogs that are on leashes and under control should be allowed to be with their owners in camping grounds and as many camping grounds do, they make spaces available for dog owners with their dogs. Maybe Auckland Council needs to do the same

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Dogs on a leash are under control. What is council going to with those who leave rubbish, do burnouts? The current rules work fine

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Dog behaviour changes when in packs, sometimes without warning. Reducing the numbers means there is more likelihood of safer walking for both dogs & humans using the same area.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

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Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I don't know

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1458

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I have used several professional dog walking (pack walking) services for my dog many times. My experience is that professional dog walkers require taking your dog on multiple test walks before they can agree your dog is trained enough to pack walk.

I would suggest that instead of a blanket rule against pack walking, there is a framework set up for accrediting professional dog walkers, or a higher maximum limit set for accredited walkers. Auckland Council could manage this in a similar way to the RDOL scheme, and charge a fee to generate income towards the management of the service.

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Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Have swum at Long Bay for years and in NO WAY are dogs under control! Have seen dogs pooping on the sand and in the water which is absolutely disgusting for swimmers and everyone who wants to enjoy the fantastic facility. Dogs runnng over people sitting quietly enjoying the park. Unfortunately a few have wrecked it for the other responsible owners and dogs need to be banned when the beach is so busy.

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Unfortunately I think dogs should be banned at all regional parks as a few owners just make it so unpleasant for others.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1517

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

As a long time dog owner I would say that nobody can control more than two dogs at a time on leash or off. More than two dogs tend to behave as a pack and that is when trouble starts. If you have six dogs on a leash and they decided to do their own thing then no matter how big an individual you are you can't restrain them.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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I don’t know

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I feel they should be allowed 10 dogs and I don't have a problem with them all being off leash at once's.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Muriwai Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

People who walk multiple dogs should have a license - and show that they know how to control the dogs, how to be in a public setting, how to deal with dogs that are out of control. There are a lot of people who have taken up the 'job' of dog walking with no experience.

I have used dog walkers for the last 6 years, and I know what steps they take to train each dog before they are able to go on a pack walk. I see people in my area who have a single dog and do not know how to deal with it when they are out of control.

The only way forward is a licence - which is like we have to do to be dog owners.

I believe there is an association that has been started to help regulate the dog walkers to show how they are able to pack walk successfully.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other

areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1605

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Dogs can be unpredictable and have a pack mentality. I think I it would be hard to control even 6 dogs at any one time even if all 6 are on a leash, over 6 would be impossible. I also feel that any more than 3 off lease at any one time would not be properly controlled.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

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Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Support

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Support

Tell us why

I'm a dog owner who uses parks

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

All dogs and cats should be neutered unless they register as breeders

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

A dog that continues to bark at someone, while straining on it's lead is a menacing dog and has no rights to be in a park

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Multiple dog owners must have outside grass areas for their dogs to be active in. Apartments and other close living places must have a total, for the numbers of dogs

overall, with only one dog per household (none if the total of dogs allowed is already there)

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Some places are simply not suitable for dog's

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

The same number of dogs allowed anywhere are as noted above and the only exceptions allowed are for registered working dog's

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

I'd like to ensure that the rules are workable, for the dogs, their owners and the other people impacted

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Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

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Tell us why

Treat as all reserves are

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Why do you need the dogs to be off leash at public parks ?? That's not fair for the people like me who are scared of dogs.. with also many incidents where the dogs off leash charging on other dogs and running towards random people, we need to have a no off leash policy for all the parks.

You can also have a dog friendly parks that Is separate from public parks where any number of dogs can be allowed with or without leash

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Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

If dogs are on leash there is no reason it should be changed.

Dogs should not be prohibited between 10am and 5 pm.

Leave as is dogs on leash, they are co trolled causing no harm

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Tell us why

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They should be allowed on leash at any time

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Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

You've screwed up this section by making it impossible to skip. Many respondents will quit at this point.

What local board area is this location in?

Waitākere Ranges

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To respond to increased presence of wildlife (e.g. ground nesting birds). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Dogs don't know the difference between one park and the next. THEY don't need access to any specific park.

Dogs don't know the difference between native birds, toys or food, either.

So removing dogs from the largest areas would protect the most birds, w

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

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Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park,Auckland Botanic Gardens,Long Bay Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1814

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Tāwharanui Regional Park,Te Ārai Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

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B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

The restrictions for dogs are already pretty tight. It's such a tiny area.

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

I think it means there's more access for dogs - honestly, I'm an intelligent person but it is quite hard to read the information and work out what it means! Partly because I'm not familiar enough with the names of the areas.

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

It's good to be clear.

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Because there are so many restrictions I don't come here anyway.

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

It's good to be clear.

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1818

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

I do not understand why dogs cannot be walked on leash in summertime between 10.00am to 5.00pm. I walk my dog often at Long Bay and there have not been problems. Why change what is working? This is punitive towards dog owners who respect others and follow the rules.

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1828

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum eight dogs, with no more than four off-leash

Tell us why

I believe as long as the dogs are under control, 8 dogs will be good number to have them at once for professional dog walkers

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

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We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

I don't see the benefit to the proposed changes as I believe if you can control your dog & be mindful of others (people & dogs), it won't be a problem.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Same as before, I believe it shouldn't be a problem as long as you can keep your dog under control and be mindful of others (people & dogs)

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

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Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

They should be allowed during the day if on-leash

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Number of dogs being led by one person is not the problem - it's the number of irresponsible, untrained owners which results in dogs not being guided in the right way. Dogs don't know human etiquette unless humans train them properly. This blanket rule punishes well-trained dogs, owners who do the right thing by themselves and their dogs, and well-run dog walking agencies.

My solution: give more power to animal management to enforce rules around registration, and to punish unregistered breeders more severely.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

I understand the logic of these restrictions, but again this is on the assumption that dogs will misbehave - more time and effort should go into making sure dogs are trained and licences for good-dog owners carry much more value, to then punish unlicensed owners in these areas.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Who is going to police this? Is every "no dogs welcome" area going to be fenced off or is the already stretched Animal Management somehow going to have multiple officers around to enforce?

This policy is short-sighted and doesn't solve the issue - people will still keep doing what they want. This is punishing good owners and dog walkers who know how to control their dogs, while having no impact on bad dog owners who are irresponsible and let their dogs run free.

Better licensing and enforcement of that is needed to try and solve the problem at source. This might take more time and effort but will have a greatly more positive outcome rather than enforcing a "nanny state"

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Don’t change the park’s rules, change the licensing and breeding rules, and give Animal Management more power and punishments to bad dog walkers/owners and irresponsible dog breeders.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1892

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Dogs should still be allowed at Forestry Beach. It is the only off leash beach dogs have and it is used a lot by dog owners. It is sparsely used by people as they head to Te Arai. I have seen lots of dogs and families at Forestry Beach and have never wit

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Sorry I meant no - leave Forestry Beach as is

What local board area is this location in?

Rodney

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

Other - please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Leave as off leash beach as only one in area and not used by beach goers alot

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#1903

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

The council's own data in the report findings 2024 is flawed and misleading. Your graph on page 50 attempts to compare two incomparable data sets (one includes at home and where the dog was roaming) while the other is specific to a person walking multiple dogs in public only. In addition, it appears the footnotes of page 50 have intentionally left out the full scope of Q13 which is also extraordinarily misleading.

The 22% number on page 49 is derived from people who have seen multiple dogs out walking. There is no correlation between seeing multiple dogs and the number of "incidents" (which as stated is flawed data derived from two incomparable data sets) caused by multiple dogs. Council has not proved that walking multiple dogs is a problem that 'still exists and is the same' because it appears to me council has no data to support that. Instead this report seems to have been deliberately curated to try and show a problem in the absence of good data.

Further, council has ignored the fact that when describing multiple dogs, respondents of the survey strongly indicated that the issue was with 2-3 dogs being walked (80% and 41% respectively). This proposal unfairly targets the industry of pack walkers whose services will be limited and whose prices will need to increase significantly if they are able to continue operating at all. This in turn unfairly impacts those Auckland residents who rely on their services at a time where corporations are beginning to force their staff back into to the office and NZers are living in an economically challenging climate.

A reduction in pack walking services or making them financially unviable for the public is likely to have the impact of increasing dog-related problems in relation to noise (barking) and roaming dogs as bored dogs stuck at home find other ways to entertain themselves. This will increase the most significant problem of barking dogs found in the survey. And one of the most significant problems with the highest potential impact (roaming dogs). The entire proposal is counter productive to the problem.

All of this ignoring the fact that this data is based on a single opinion survey with glaring holes in the integrity of its methodology and not factual evidence from Animal Management or any other governing body.

Council has not provided evidence to support this proposal and I would even suggest may have opened themselves up to legal challenge through this appalling use of so-called "data".

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Maximum dogs (6) with only (2) off lead.

Two off lead is manageable for a walker in most circumstances. (3) likely means the dogs are not necessary together when investigating/playing.

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Fully support. The changes and structured layout make reading and referencing the policy easy and quite fast.

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

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Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Fully support.

This appears to be a positive change given the time between the last review of this section which saw major consistent policy across the wards.

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Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other

areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2172

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

support changes with conditions that the following is updated to:

Huakaiwaka Visitor centre (except when a god is passing through the visitor centre under control on a leash)

This is because people use visitor centre to entry the park with their pets. They should still have the ability to at least walk through the centre with their pets well under control.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

support the changes with the following amendment:

c. on any roads and parking areas, including dogs unrestrained in a vehicle (for example from Glenvar Ridge Access Road, on any internal road, bus turnaround and car parking areas).

reason: not quite sure why a dog is prohibited if it is fully confined in a car that is moving or just driving through the area. there should be some distinctions between people driving through the area in a fully enclosed car, and people with vehicles like ute where dogs are placed in the open tray or unrestrained

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum eight dogs, with no more than four off-leash

Tell us why

I've been out with our dog walker / pack walking company who can safely and responsibly manage upwards of 10 dogs. If these changes were to happen, there is a proposed price increase of $50 to $85 per walk and we would have to stop that due to being too expensive. So this is technically inflation causing, and with the current economic climate, many dog walkers will be out of work. Dogs who are controlled in a pack, follow instruction a lot better than individually poorly trained dogs. They are a pack animal so most follow along after the well trained leaders.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

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Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

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Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Te Ārai Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Having our dog with us at Forestry beach is some of the best family memories we have had. As long as there are no endangered sea birds nesting I don't see the issue. The beach is our dogs favorite place to run / swim and Forestry is really not that popu

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2364

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Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Packs of dogs on or off leash are intimidating to other dogs/humans

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

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Clarify how dog access rules are set:

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Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2448

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

The day care my dog goes to excels at walking multiple dogs on leads together. It is good for dogs socially and they learn to be part of the pack and behave themselves. This is the way i got my dog to walk nicely on her lead - by letting her be part of this method. So i do not think it should be changed but of course the person must be qualified and know what they are doing.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

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Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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My dog used to LOVE pack walks with his professional dog trainer. Changing this law for professional business owners would likely cause there businesses to crumble due to either an increase in price or due to the de crease in numbers being able to go.

Make a program where pack walkers have to do a course or prove there capability to manage the numbers they have.

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The current proposals will put over 100 young, highly trained entrepreneurs out of business. These individuals are exactly what we want in our city: running their own businesses, paying business rates, and providing a valuable service to busy Aucklanders. They take dogs on pack walks both around their properties and in shared public spaces.

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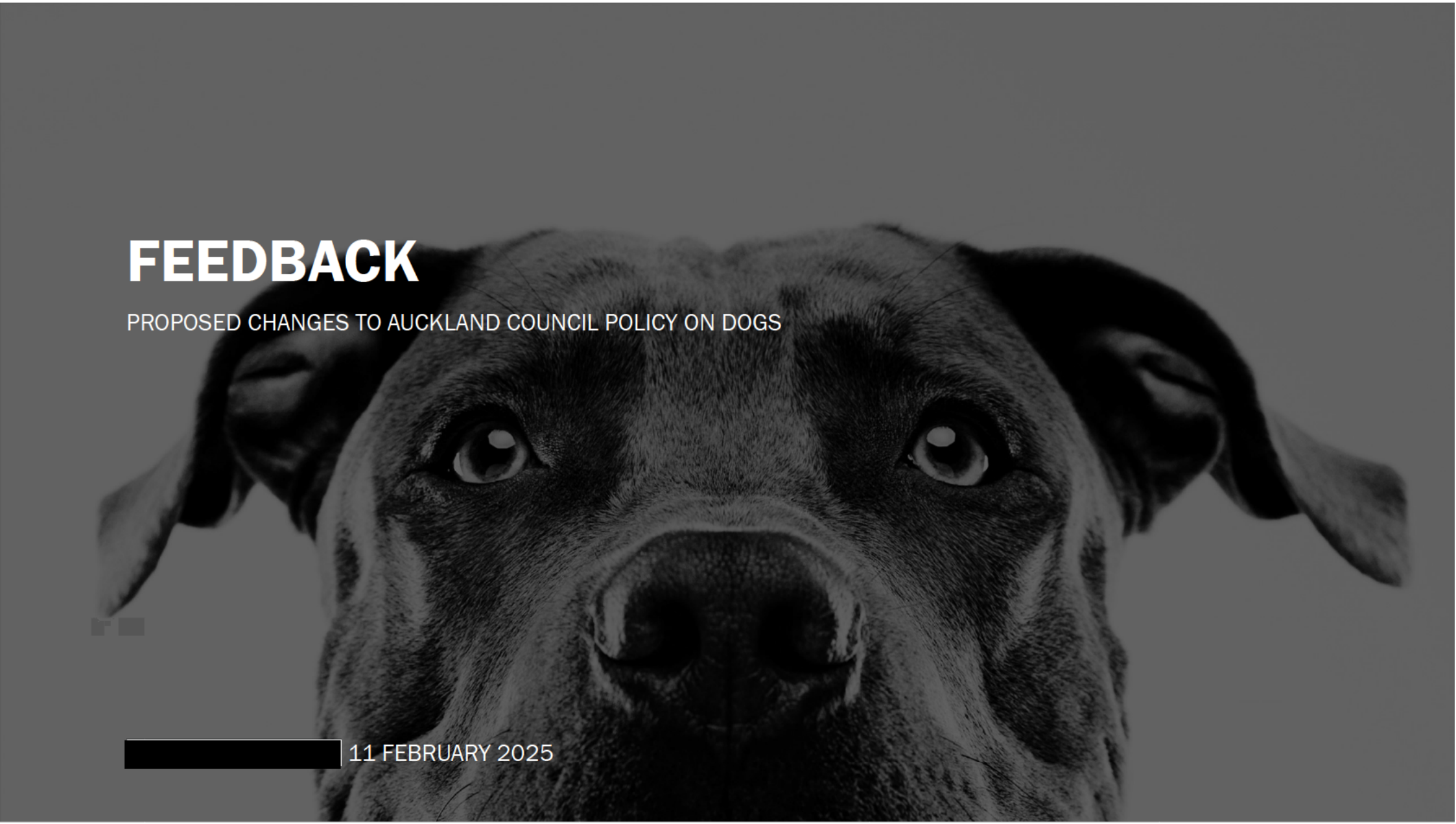
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[redacted] 11 FEBRUARY 2025

THREE KEY POINTS TO COVER



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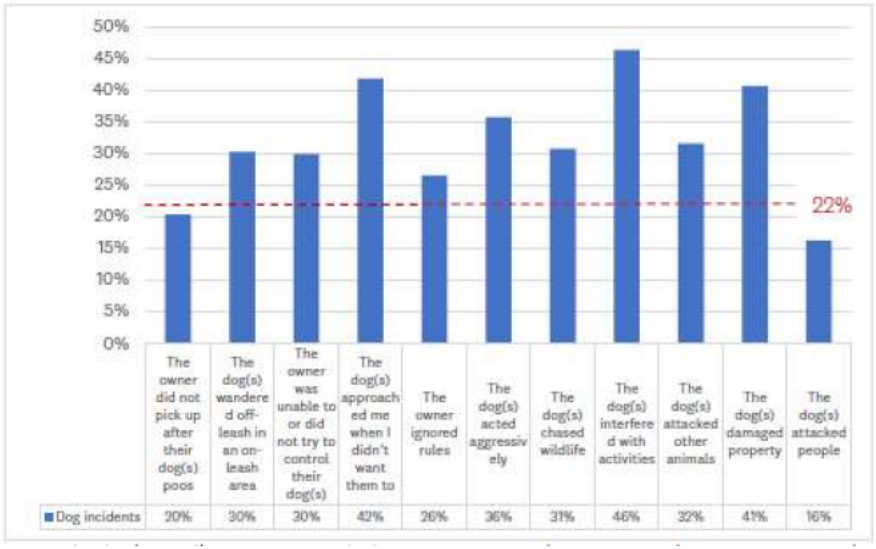


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IMPLICATIONS

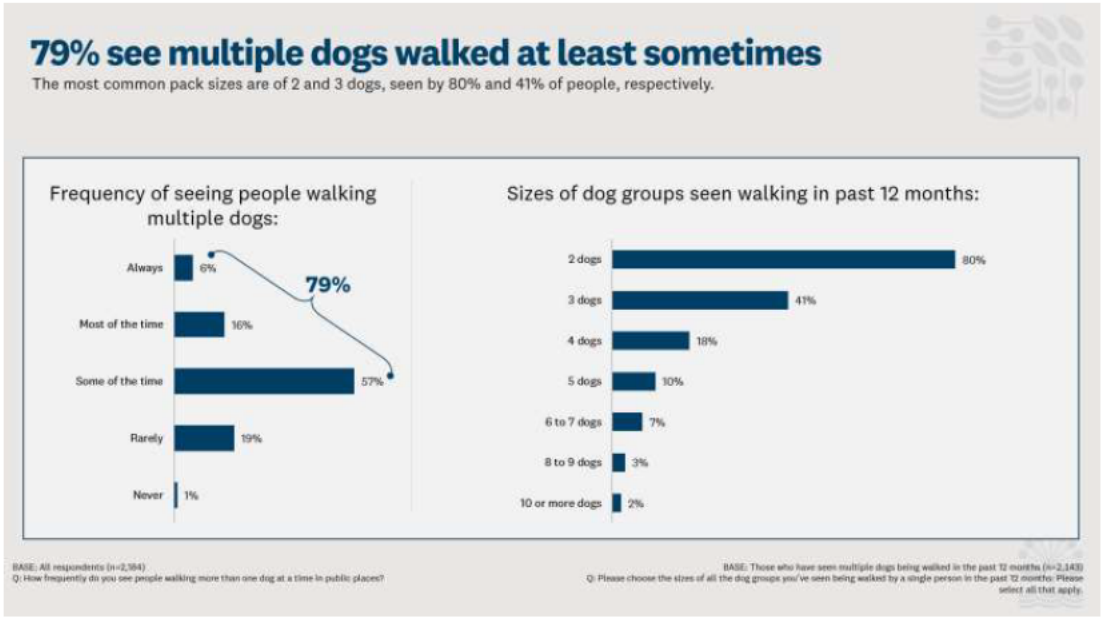
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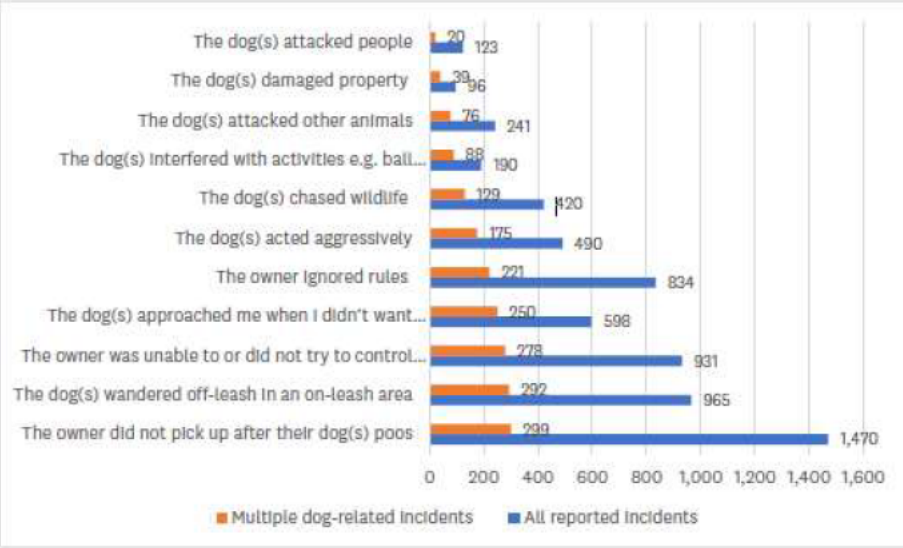
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Root cause analysis required (there is none).

The web submission portal asks for preferred limit to the number of dogs that be walked at one time, but provides no evidence or data to support any one of those options as solving the problem that doesn't seem to exist.

IMPLICATIONS



If you are going to put over 100 small businesses out of business, cause massive unintended consequences around the ability of people to have their dogs walked, you have to be 100% certain that this is going to solve a pretty big problem.

The information you have published is not just misleading, it's incorrect. It looks as if someone has tried to find data to support a problem. Therefore, any submissions based on this information cannot be considered.

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Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Long bay is only beach that's allowed dog go with their family to swim or walk during summer all day such give us flexibility to enjoy the beach together especially kn the weekend or summer school holiday.

It's benefits both dog and people health abd mental.

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

If the dog owner who doesn't respond to put the leash on their dog during daytime rule especially at Long bay. Just fine them.

Please don't punish us all by change the dog riule at Long bay. Also save cost for any changes. Put that budget to create more

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2662

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Reasonable maximum number of dogs for a single person to handle.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Makes sense - this may help reduce menacing dogs if they are neutered. Most pets are neutered as well. However whether the rules can be enforced is another question, especially if owner is non-responsive and unwilling, but setting rules is on the right track.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

no

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2685

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This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

To make sure that dog owners of menacing dogs abide by the rules.

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

people should only be allowed 2 dogs unless they are operating kennells.

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park,Auckland Botanic Gardens,Hunua Ranges Regional Park,Long Bay Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park,Pākiri Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Tāpapakanga Regional Park,Tāwharanui Regional Park,Te Ārai Regional

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

As a responsible dog owner, we love to enjoy a good nature walk with our lovely well behaved dog. Unfortunately ,there are less and less dogs allowed or safe place to walk my dog, not CBD,(not safe for human either), not shopping malls, not regional parks, not lot of reserves, then where can we walk? Auckland is an international inclusive city, and it's famous for it. If we can include all/none genders or LGBTQ human beings from all the world, we should do the same thing to dogs, our closest best friends

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

As a responsible dog owner, we love to enjoy a good nature walk with our lovely well behaved dog. Unfortunately ,there are less and less dogs allowed or safe place to walk my dog, not CBD,(not safe for human either), not shopping malls, not regional parks, not lot of reserves, then where can we walk? Auckland is an international inclusive city, and it's famous for it. If we can include all/none genders or LGBTQ human beings from all the world, we should do the same thing to dogs, our closest best friends

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

As a responsible dog owner, we love to enjoy a good nature walk with our lovely well behaved dog. Unfortunately ,there are less and less dogs allowed or safe place to walk my dog, not CBD,(not safe for human either), not shopping malls, not regional parks, not lot of reserves, then where can we walk? Auckland is an international inclusive city, and it's famous for it. If we can include all/none genders or LGBTQ human beings from all the world, we should do the same thing to dogs, our closest best friends

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

As a responsible dog owner, we love to enjoy a good nature walk with our lovely well behaved dog. Unfortunately ,there are less and less dogs allowed or safe place to walk my dog, not CBD,(not safe for human either), not shopping malls, not regional parks, not lot of reserves, then where can we walk? Auckland is an international inclusive city, and it's famous for it. If we can include all/none genders or LGBTQ human beings from all the world, we should do the same thing to dogs, our closest best friends

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

As a responsible dog owner, we love to enjoy a good nature walk with our lovely well behaved dog. Unfortunately ,there are less and less dogs allowed or safe place to walk my dog, not CBD,(not safe for human either), not shopping malls, not regional parks

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

As a responsible dog owner, we love to enjoy a good nature walk with our lovely well behaved dog. Unfortunately ,there are less and less dogs allowed or safe place to walk my dog, not CBD,(not safe for human either), not shopping malls, not regional parks

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Waitawa Regional Park

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Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

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Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2733

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash

Tell us why

This element is not responsible dog ownership but business. 1 dog off leash will stay with the pack (the other 3) but 2 dogs have the potential to hype each other up. So I feel only one dog should be off leash at any one time.

Place like K9 Heaven give dogs the freedom to run...rather than restricting access to individual owners who train and walk their own pet dog responsibility...would it not be better to have a piece of land that these multi dog walking companies can hire on an hourly basis to exercise the dogs.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

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Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

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Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Only change the off-leash area to north of the rose gardens before 10am and after 5pm (on-leash between 10am and 5pm)

Tell us why

When I visit the Botanical Gardens most if not all Dogs I see in the garden areas are well behaved as on the leash.

For me, so long as the dog is on a short lead (not these elastic stretch ones that do not ensure owners are in full control) they should be allowed in all outdoor public areas except areas where children play.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Responsible owners will ensure their dog is on a leash and under control if that is the rules. Why penalize the majority...we need to target the minority of irresponsible dog owners with tougher fines regardless ie no excuses policy.

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Reasonable

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

This is confusing!

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

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What local board area is this location in?

Rodney

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

Other - please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

There are so few places you can already walk your dog, especially off leash. This is why it's packed with offleash dogs in the few places they are allowed. Especially when there are hours of when you are allowed to go involved.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Long Bay Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

This is one of the only locations to walk their dog even on leash during the day with access to the beach. Why would you ban dogs?? There are hardly any other beaches on the shore to take your dog to?? Please, tell us where you want to walk our dogs, so many areas keep getting taken away.

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

You're taking away all our leniency to own dogs and walk them to a healthy manor. I don't understand why.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2782

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Maximum of 3 dogs on leash & only allowed off in Dog Parks/Off Leash Areas. I am the owner of a Maltese Shitzu dog & it is quite daunting when you see someone with several dogs coming towards you. Luckily the area I live in has a lot of side roads & paths I can go down to avoid this situation.

I also feel that if you have one hyperactive dog then this can set the other dogs off which makes it harder for inexperienced people to have control of them.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

I do not believe in the dog prohibition here.

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

The off-leash area is fine; the people without their animals under control are not the ones to follow the rules with regards to leash rules. Restricting dogs from areas such as a visitor centre seem like superfluous proposals, has there ever been an issue with a dog in these areas? If someone had to go into such an area with a dog for any sort of reason I would imagine they would have their dog either on a very short lead or carry it. The nursery is already off-limit to the public, what good is restricting dogs going to achieve other than just more wording without obviating any actual problems.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

This presumably covers all the tracks? In which case the only are accessible to dogs would be the car park. The farm paddocks are private land It would be easier to clarify the wording to say where dogs are allowed, as it seems mostly everything is off-limits.

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Most people walk dogs in during crepuscular hours, restricting dogs during the midday is unnecessary. The people that cause issues with their dogs will not bother to obey any updated rules.

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Over-complication of rules: these are bookable buildings, all that matters is specifying that dogs are forbidden at the time of booking than creating confusing rules for people. Banning dogs inside vehicles from places is such a ridiculous proposal. One s

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Can't understand what purpose this proposed change is for.

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Unnecessarily complicating the rules. Pointless restrictions on dogs inside vehicles and the homestead. The former isn't an issue and the latter is just common sense.

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Current rules are more straightforward and easier to understand and don't contain a superfluous restriction on dogs in vehicles.

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

I support allowing access to the beach for dogs but the wording is overly-complicated.

Simply specifying where dogs are allowed off-leash, and that it is okay to take dogs on-lead to get there with elsewhere having a prohibition on dogs is fine. Restricti

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

I don't see a reason why the change is being proposed, how is one supposed to know where the eastern half begins or ends?

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

The proposals are needlessly over-complicated and confusing. Enforcement is almost always a voluntary matter as council enforcement powers are quite limited and require cooperation. Having simple rules that are easier to understand and also understandable

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#2936

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

The current rules seem to work fine and it is the responsibility of the dog handler to ensure the dogs are under control. Even 3 dogs off leash could be out of control, it's very dependent on the dog handler and dogs themselves.

This proposed reduction in the number of dogs allowed off leash would kill many local dog walking businesses which is unfair to these people who've spent years building these up.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#3071

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I think this is just stupid to implement a “max off leash rule” - dogs should roam freely. You’re only going to cause more anger and frustration within the community. We as dog owners pay professional companies to walk our pups off leash so they can have a good run around and get tired!

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#3319

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

I am a Dog Behaviourist, qualified with a Bachelor in Applied Animal Technology, majoring in animal behaviour, a Certificate in Canine Behaviour and Training, a Certificate in Animal Welfare Investigations and a certificate in Vet Nursing. I am am an endorsed member of multiple professional bodies. I have worked in the dog behaviour and training industry for decades, and currently work alongside Veterinary Behaviourists specialising in aggression. I am also an ex professional dog walker. I fully support the limit on numbers of dogs being walked together. I have seen many out of control packs of dogs being walked in Riverhead forest, beaches and parks. Any appearance of control of large numbers of dogs by one person, is just an illusion. One person cannot reasonably maintain control over even 8 dogs, it takes only one dog to react to something in the environment, to set the other dogs off, and physical control becomes impossible. Walkers with no qualifications or knowledge of dog behaviour walking often up to 20 dogs are just an incident waiting to happen. What's more, many dogs on these walks are not actually enjoying them, they are barely coping with being forced to walk with so many dogs, and this constitutes a compromise to their welfare, rather than a benefit. I would prefer the rules to go further, that the size of the dog is considered, not just the number. Walking 6 German Shepherds, is vastly different to walking 6 daschunds. I would also prefer that dog walkers had to be licensed and pass basic courses on dog body language and leash handling skills, and be required to hold liability insurance.

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Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

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Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Currently my dog is walked by an excellent pack walker and he has been attending for about three years now. At the beginning we did lots of training together before he was allowed to join the pack and then there was an adjustment period. He was on a long line until he could be trusted to walk off-lead. He has now been walking off-lead for a while and we have never had any issues. This service is super helpful as it is structured and I completely trust the pack walker to be able to handle any situations that arise. This gives my dog healthy interactions with other dogs twice a week.

By changing to the proposed limit of 6 dogs and 3 off-leash at any one time, this will be negatively affecting my pack walkers business and will not be sustainable. She will either have to increase the prices or stop the service altogether. I believe that there are better solutions such as licensing professionals to walk larger groups, enforcing the rule 'dogs must be under control' and also providing more education to the public about what owning a pet actually entails and how they can access training and services to support them,

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

No change to the current state, allowing for trained and registered dog-walkers (or members of the Dog Walkers Association) to designate and work with council to define the appropriate numbers. Our dog has excelled since joining a Pack Walk where up to 12 dogs can sometime be in attendance, and more depending also on the number of walkers. Off lead exploring for these dogs are critical to their well being and, as long as the Walker has verbal control, there is nothing that should be held against.

I feel that it is more important that the rules for trained/certified and professional walkers allow for more flexibility that that of Amatuer or casual walkers.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

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Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash unless licence obtained

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Shakespear Regional Park,Te Ārai Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Dogs should be able to be walked during the day in summer. Current rules (on leash) are fair and should be maintained. I would prefer dogs allowed off leash all times of year however the on leash rule means those who are uncomfortable with dogs can use the beach in the popular times (summer) without concerns. No need for total prohibition.

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash

Tell us why

Two off leash dogs should be the most - its too hard for one person to control or monitor more than two unleashed dogs

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Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Of course for the obvious reasons and also muzzling of menacing dogs

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

I tried to find out if unleashed dogs are allowed on Long Bay beach and went to the council website- it stated they are not allowed on Long Bay beach unleashed- I'm sure this is not correct- try for yourself to enter Long Bay beach into your website -and you will note it is not clear at all

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

Please update your website to make it clear where dogs are able to walk unleashed at Long Bay beach

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Tell us why

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I support the proposed change

Tell us why

It's basically the same as the previous rules - what's the difference????

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Do not support

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I understand there some concern from the public in tyhis area but I believe that the dog walking services are important to dog owners, and the proposed changes would mean a significant cost increase which could potentially put many out of business. The costs of dogn wonershiop are already significant, and for responsible dog owners who try to ensure best quality of life for their pets the changes may put this optioon out of reach.

Instead of imposing arbitrary limits for the whole of Auckland, I would recommend engaging in consultation with the sector to discuss the best way of addressing concerns. Out dog walker for example walks the pack off leash only in areas that are less frequented. I believe there are options to put in place standards and regulation to ensure that responsible businesses who manage their activities in a way that mitigates risk can continue to operate and provide a high quality expoerience for the dogs.

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No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

First of all there will be large number of dogwalkers without a job or loosing their jobs,

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I believe you need to differentiate between members of the public casually walking a number of dogs and professional dog walkers. Professional dog walkers could be subject to a licensing arrangement which takes into account their training and experiance as well as the orientation process they put a dog through before doing it to their pack. As well as where they are walking the dogs, I.e in a built up area or on a beach or in a forest.

As a dog owner who uses a pack walking service I see the benefits they provide to the mental and social stimulation of my dog. I also am keenly aware of the relationship they build with not only my dog but with all the dogs they look after.

A blanket limit of 6 or 8 dogs per pack and a limit of the number of dogs off the lead at anyone time will decimate the dog walking industry in Auckland. Not only will it make pack walking uneconomic financially for the pack walkers without out substantial price increases but it will put the service which many people rely on for their dog financially out of reach. In addition limits on the number of dogs in a pack will substantially increase the number of dog walkers required to meet demand.

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Tell us why

Not only will this new rule take out one of the best things we can utilize in Auckland for our dogs while working full time - which is pack walks run by Professionals, this is a service I use once a week to break up the long hours I am working to give my dogs a more fulfilled life.

if these changes were to take affect WHICH I HOPE THEY WONT it will create an issue of many dogs not being exercised enough - this could result in more roaming dogs due to boredom at home - not being fulfilled etc etc etc - Auckland council already cannot keep up with the amount of dogs that roam the streets, and none of those dogs are the ones using these services - RESPONSIBLE dog owners are the ones that are going to be disadvantaged all because of those that don't look after the ones they have - a new bylaw is not the way to change things - bring in mandatory desexing - & stop backyard breeding - start there, don't attack the professional services that are there to utilize to have happy dogs in happy homes.

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Not just for "menacing dogs" for all DOGS !!! also its not dogs that are menacing - it's the uneducated humans that use them to make money by back yard breeding - dogs aren't

born "menacing" they are raised that way !!! it comes down to this from your 2019 info - that is CLEARY not being taught Responsible Dog Ownership

"Educate and inform dog owners how to take care of their dogs."

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Do not support

Tell us why

Dog's in Vehicles - ARE YOU KIDDING ME !!!! your going to tell us how to have dogs in our own PRIVATE vechiles

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Do not support

Tell us why

stop taking away places we can exercise our DOGS

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

i think this is a joke, there is already WAY to many places we can't have our dogs - and its the responsible owners like myself that are getting the short end of the stick because to many people in South Auckland, abuse neglect and don't care for their dogs - they don't desex, the dumpo puppies or they uise dogs to make money - FOCUS on who and where needs help, and stop trying to take away things from the ones that want to give their dogs their best lives.

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Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

dont make changes that don't need to be made

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Long Bay Regional Park

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

dont make changes that don't need to be made

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

dont make changes that don't need to be made - we go to Murwai ALL the time - DO NOT TAKE THIS AWAY FROM US -

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

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Shakespear Regional Park

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

dont make changes that don't need to be made

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

dont make changes that don't need to be made - you can't change where we drive with our pets - what if your dropping something off to someone and need to have your dogs - not getting gout with them is fine - but come on !!!

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

DO NOT DO THIS - there is already hardly anywhere to take dogs up there

great protest by the locals in mangawhai !!!

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

dont make changes that don't need to be made

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

dont make changes that don't need to be made

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

dont make changes that don't need to be made

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

when taking our dogs onto Doc land we need to get a permit, maybe to stop the dicks ruining it for everyone else, this could be an option

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4146

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We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

The number of dogs doesn't matter, is the handler experience that does. Create a license for dog walkers where they need to prove their knowledge and control over dogs.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

All dogs should be neutered. Stop breeding and encourage adoption.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Do not support

Tell us why

If the update will allow dogs, I support.

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

Enough with targeting all dog owners. Dogs are family, we pay REGO and we deserve better treatment. If you want to stop dog attacks, punish owners instead of dogs.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

You should be allowing dogs everywhere, even if it's only on leash.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

We need more spaces to walk our dogs off leash, not less.

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Again, another stupid rule to prohibit dogs from places where they were allowed. What is the reason? You had one bitter person who complained and now you want to punish everyone?

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I don't know

Mahurangi Scott Point

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Ridiculous change. Allow dogs off leash at all times, they too deserve to enjoy the beach.

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Dogs should be allowed off leash at all times.

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

You should explain the reasons why you want to prohibit dogs from places in the first place. We should be getting more spaces to take our dogs, not less.

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

First, taking away benefits doesn't make sense: second, it will never work since the rules are ridiculously complicated.

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

We should be getting more access to Regional parks so we can go with our dogs. We pay a registration in order to get benefits. Dogs are part of society whether you like it or not, and they shouldn't be punished for having irresponsible owners.

Instead of

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4172

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

I think this is still to high.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

I think desexing should be compulsory unless you have a license to breed.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

Stricter rules around undesexed dogs.

Owners must apply for a licence to have a dog that is not desexed. More funding for desexing programs at discounted rates.

Harsher penalties for chaining up dogs and tougher regulations.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

To many restrictions already around areas you can take dogs on lead meaning the few areas you can take them become congested.

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

There is to few areas dogs are allowed leading to these areas being congested

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

There is to few areas dogs are allowed leading to these areas being congested

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

There is to few areas dogs are allowed leading to these areas being congested

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

We have a dog who regularly attends Pet Adventures with Caleb, Melissa and their amazing team of handlers. These proposed changes for the maximum number of dogs would severely impact their business and subsequently would make these amazing adventures and social outings unaffordable for us. We are committed to providing the best care for our dog and so along with regular walks, Pet Adventures has made an amazing difference for her temperament and social behaviour with a mixed range of other dogs. This is solely down to their experience and positive control over their packs.

I would like to propose that businesses and organisations such as Pet Adventures can have exemptions to the limit, noting that they have experienced and trained handlers with their own maximums set in place. I would like to see untrained 'dog walkers' limited, as they do not have the appropriate skills to handle a larger pack. I hope that there will be an application process for exemptions and licenses for businesses that have such a positive impact on the dog community.

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Mahurangi Scott Point

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Tell us why

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I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Only change the off-leash area to on-leash at all times

Tell us why

Dogs should be allowed on the cafe as long as there is an outdoor sitting area & will remain on-leash at all times.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

On Point #2 - why are dogs prohibited on these areas? I think dogs should be allowed on any of these areas so long as they are on-leash at all times. We wated to visit Long Bay for the longest time but couldn't because dogs are not allowed. It's unfair because our dog (Maltese) is very well behaved. We just want to walk and exercise. Most of the times, just sit and people watch. Too much restriction.

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Mahurangi East

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Tell us why

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I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Reading the proposed policy, it only meant "don't go here if you a dog" - again, this is not fair. If we want to visit with a dog, this should be allowed as long as they are always controlled & on-leash. I would understand not going to the farm paddocks f

Te Ārai Regional Park

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Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Don't be too restrictive. What's important is that the dog is always controlled and on-leash on these areas.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4301

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

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Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Mahurangi East

I don't know

Mahurangi Scott Point

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

I support any changes which redress the balance to make regional parks safer and more enjoyable for all users, particularly children, and which protect native wildlife from predatory dogs.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I believe you need to separate requirements for private individuals versus professional dog walking businesses. I believe private individuals should not be able to walk more than 4 dogs, with only two off lead at any one time.

I also believe that professional dog walkers should be licensed to be able to deliver these services and should have to renew this license on a bi-annual basis. When applying for renewal, council should take into consideration any complaints received about the dog walker (and dogs) over the past two years as part of the renewal decision making process.

I think competent, professional dog walkers should be allowed to walk up to 12 dogs at a time, with a maximum of 3 off lead at any one time.

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Tell us why

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Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

This will lead to more problems. People won't be able to afford to send their dogs to dog walkers, so there will be more problematic dogs in our communities. The dog walkers are mostly professionals and experts, who can help with dog behaviour and training and owner education. They are making our communities safer. If you destroy them there will be far bigger problems.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other

areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4477

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I would like to add that professional dog walkers, organisation's who run business with large packs of dogs, have a license. Be trained, skilled to have dogs in packs walking in places like Muriwai and must show that the business owners are fully trained and there staff. Individuals be responsible for their dogs behavior and prosecutored if not complying to clear guidelines added to this clause.

People have the right to have choices to use these services and people who choose to walk a dog also has to show responsibility to care, walking in public streets, parks, beaches are held accountable for there animal and know that they have accountabilty.

Pack walk providers provide a service for dog owners, to pay for a service of choice knowing that there dog/dogs are socialing, as dogs walk in packs. Exercising, fulfilled., no bored, possible roaming, barking dogs, left at home causing disturbing behavior. Why take away what's already working. Get these business owners to have a license instead of stopping thus service. The dodgy operators will not pass. Reducing the amounts of off leash to three stops families being able to socialise, getting together at the proposed venues that are mentioned. Concentrate on stopping back yard breeding, selling dogs, using dogs to fight, dumping them. These are the dog owners who need to be stopped. Look at what what obviously is working in Wellington with professional pack walking businesses. Upto 10 dogs off leash under control.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

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Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

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Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Tāpapakanga Regional Park,Tāwharanui Regional Park,Te Ārai Regional

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

It seems obvious the park has catered for off leash area.

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Only change the off-leash area to north of the rose gardens before 10am and after 5pm (on-leash between 10am and 5pm)

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Again signage clearly to show the areas designated on leash under control and areas prohibited and who choose to not complying be prosecutored.

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season)

and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

We use this beach and walkways already in places and have for a few generations without any cause of concern or reason to think it should be changed.

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

An area again that has worked for us as family, and friends for generations

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

This is an area that is used by many many dog owners, dog walkers and professional fog walkers because of already lack of areas in that region.

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

We need these areas to allow dog owners, professional dog walkers, to exercise, socialize dogs/owners/families to enjoy, make friends, get exercise, relax, play, and keep what we already have in places that is working.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4488

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This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Regulating the rules for the dog walking industry and multi-dog households would be a more effective approach than imposing restrictions that limit both the industry and dog owners' ability to meet their dogs' needs.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don't know

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Creating and having a database of qualified Trainers and using their skill sets to assess the dog in question would benefit everyone. Using real-world trainers who work with all breeds of dogs would be the best way to do this. Not just judging the dog purely off the breed.

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

The dog access rules need to be more clear, as I have found that when looking on the council website for places to take my dog, these are outdated or don't have a clear list of where we can and cannot go.

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Do not support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other

areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4513

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I think a licence system should be implemented for anyone wanting to walk 6 or more dogs, anything below that is fine.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Auckland Botanic Gardens,Long Bay Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Seems too extreme

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi East

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4540

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

I only agree with the 2nd choice because I was a dog owner & all dogs can be temperamental..

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

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B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Support

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Tell us why

It might depend on the dogs and maybe strength of dogs but I don't think you can hold onto more than 4- 5 dogs at any given time

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

If people want to take their dog for a swim, on a paddle board... they need to be able to walk their dog across the sand to the sea. This should not be prohibited

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Tell us why

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I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

Tell us why

Seems to make it hard for families with children and dogs to have an outing at Wenderholm

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

I agree with dogs needing to be kept away from wild life, I do not agree with people being stopped from having a summer outing with their dogs.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4653

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

No change to current rules for registered professional dog walkers (set up a registration system), for everyone else new proposal is ok.

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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#4658

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I would propose no limit to the number of dogs on leash, or two dogs off leash. Potentially I would also be happy if there was also a restriction to have to have a license to walk more than 4 dogs on leash

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Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Do not support

Tell us why

Not sure what the current rules are but, if a person is allowed to walk on a volcano mountain in Auckland, then they should also be allowed to take a dog on or off leash unless it is a predator free area or breeding site for endangered birds etc.

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Im happy for dogs to be onleash during the day. These are big grass areas with some shade. I would prefer to see a ban on owners walking their dogs down a suburban street at say 2pm when the concrete is too hot or certainly the black ashpelt of the road. This is a park with grass and shade.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Walking tracks

What local board area is this location in?

I don't know

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To reduce owner-related problems (e.g. owner ignoring rules, dogs not under control, dog faeces not picked up, etc). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Safety for everyone

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4704

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Hunua Ranges Regional Park,Long Bay Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Te Ārai Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other

areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4710

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Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Dogs have been very annoying when we are at the beach, they run around and get sand on people that are trying to enjoy the beach. Also, people do not pick up after the dogs poop when they go in teh water and it is disgusting to see that. I believe that there should be dog parks like in many other countries. No dogs in public beaches

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Waiaki beach

What local board area is this location in?

I don't know

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

Other - please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Let people enjoy the beach without any dogs where people do not follow the rules and makes it hard when there is no monitoring of rules

Please explain your issue in more detail:

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Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

See above

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Dogs should be prohibited in all regional and local parks

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4791

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash

Tell us why

I have a Bachelor of Applied Science in Animal Management and Welfare and have also studied and worked in the field of animal behaviour (specifically with dogs). I also used to be a dog walker. Whilst dogs can be trained, there are always variables that mean they cannot be fully controlled. Two off lead dogs per person is more than enough in terms of safety for everyone (including people and other dogs they encounter on walks). I have one dog and if we go for a walk in an off leash area but come across a pack/dog walker, it means we just turn around and go somewhere else. It is not fair on my one dog to enter a space where there are 4+(at the moment more like 8+)dogs who all know each other, who rush up to my dog and overwhelm her. There is no way that 1 person can control multiple dogs who all decide to do their own thing and especially if a fight starts etc. It really isn't worth it, so we often can't walk at popular places due to this. It is extremely frustrating. Sometimes I will try and wait until the pack walker leaves but they often will be in a space for 1-2hours.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4853

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Not everyone is available to walk their dogs in the Summer before 10am and after 5pm. Also the weather may not be appropriate during these times so having access all day is important for the dogs mental health and that of their career.

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I don’t know

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Sanders Reserve

What local board area is this location in?

Rodney

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To respond to opportunities for greater dog access without impacting other users (e.g. an area to take a dog under control off a leash). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

The current dog off leash access is too small. It would be great if we could allow our dogs off leash at the bottom where the beach access is. There is enough space for people on bikes at the top (frankly bikers hardly use the bottom section unless they

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

So many dog people use the Sanders reserve. It is a happy place where dogs can meet and socialize. During the week there is hardly anyone without a dog. It would be greatly appreciated if dog people can have more space to play, meet and enjoy the beaut

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Thank you for caring about our four legged friends.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4941

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Local Board: Upper Harbour

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

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1. Walking multiple dogs
2. General policy and bylaw matters (for example clarifying existing rules and reformatting to make the documents more user-friendly)
3. Changes to dog access rules at Regional Parks
4. Changes to dog access rules at local parks and beaches.

This submission only contains submission content for sections 1-3 (regional elements).

1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Submission for Auckland Council

We note the proposal to change the system for professional dog walkers in Auckland as forwarded by Auckland Council.

We note that the intention is to reduce the number of dogs allowed to be controlled by dog walkers to 3 on-leash and 3-off leash.

Consideration needs to be given to the consideration of a “professional” dog walker. There are a number of professionals who have gone through rigorous training and have years of experience. These are the ones who know how to control dogs off-leash, generally stay away from “public” areas and further provide on-the-walk training to the dogs in their care.

There are those however who cannot be regarded as “professional”. These are the ones who will have a number of dogs over which they have little control and simply “hope” that nothing bad will happen. They generally don’t have experience other than owning a dog themselves.

We recommend that a licensing system be brought in by Auckland Council, similar to that in place in Wellington. Those providing dog walking services must be licensed to show they know what they’re doing and know how to control the dogs in their charge.

The ongoing training provided by professionals ensures that proper training procedures are reinforced thus reducing the likelihood of danger to the public caused by those frequent dogs (and their owners by default) that do not have the proper training and socialization regimens. These dogs are often unregistered, are not properly trained, not desexed, and also are often inherently “dangerous breeds”. They are also allowed to roam.

We believe it would make greater sense for Auckland Council to crack down on roaming dogs, backyard breeders and those who do not have the experience to own a dog in the first place. Owners themselves should be licensed but given the unlikelihood of this being done by Auckland Council then Council should be licensing those responsible and professional dog walkers.

Our own dog walker is entirely professional and has had our dog since he was small, some nearly nine years ago. When he first started he was tested to make sure he was socialized

and then given training to ensure he could form part of the “pack”. Those that cannot are not accepted by our dog walker. The walker continues with ongoing training to ensure that our dog is as he should be.

We have been on family days where the dogs will meet usually at a public park (off-leash of course!). The company’s staff will go with us for a walk and are always looking out for the dogs to ensure control. The staff will give a single command and the dogs immediately respond, even including lining up as a group for photos on demand!

On an economic basis if the dog numbers are restricted the professional dog walkers are going to struggle to survive. They pay staff as employees and the employees should be individually licensed as well. If they cannot provide a service by having their numbers and methods restricted then there will be the potential of the businesses closing and the employees being made redundant and further the difficulty for owners in having to be practically full-time carers for their dogs.

Thank you for your consideration. We will be delighted to discuss with you further.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Shakespear Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Better protection cor kiwi by prohibiting dogs east of boatramp at Army Bay.

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

With regards to Shakespear, I would prefer dogs prohibited on the wetland track, to protect wetland birds.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#4975

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I support introducing a licensing regime for professional dog walkers in Auckland, which will address the issues and keep dog walking available for Aucklanders regardless of income. This is in place in Wellington and has been very successful. I support this option for the following reasons:

My husband and I have a 4-year-old Miniature schnauzer and a 3-year-old. Just before the birth of our son we had concerns of our ability to provide our dog with regular walks and stimulation while we navigated the chaotic world of a newborn. Through recommendations, we met Natasha from Nat's Pack who did an initial assessment to see if he was suitable to join her adventure walking pack. For the last 3 years, she has taken him on a weekly pack walk which during many sleepless nights, knowing our dog was getting a decent walk the next day took so much pressure off us. Now with both of us now working full-time and commuting and raising a toddler we still rely on these weekly walks to allow him to socialise with a mix of different breeds and sizes of dogs and come home exhausted.

Natasha can manage up to 12 dogs at a time, with most off-lead and has 8 years of experience running her own business. Not every dog walker has this level of experience to do this safely, and it's unfair to limit the numbers to an arbitrary number with no evidence to back it up and penalise experienced professionals like her who have so much skill with managing dogs. There has not been a single incident on her walks since we used her services. She will keep dogs on lead the whole walk if the forest environment is too busy or the pack energy is not appropriate. This level of dog behaviour knowledge and responsibility towards the dogs in her charge means she would easily pass an accreditation exam.

Limiting the number of dogs a person can take will mean the cost of adventure pack walks becomes unaffordable and fewer people will use the services. We currently pay $50 for a half-day adventure and if numbers were limited as proposed, this would likely increase to $70 - $80. Given the current cost of living crisis, this would make regular dog walking for ourselves and other families out of reach and limit it to wealthy people. I struggle to understand why someone who is providing such an important service who is responsible and insightful couldn't be given this opportunity to keep her business and livelihood going.

While out walking our dog over Christmas, he was attacked by another dog who broke free from a rope he was tied to. This was traumatising for all of us. Natasha with her incredible dog behavioural insight worked with us to build our dog's confidence so he would not end up being a nervous reactive dog. Adventure pack walks were a big part of his recovery as well as confidence boosting games that we did, and both these approaches have resulted in a confident happy dog.

Auckland dog owners all know that Animal Management staff are stretched, and it takes days for them to respond to serious issues. Animal Management already do not proactively monitor known dog walking hotspots and this bylaw will not change this. The fact that the Waitakere Rangers Local Board had to fund a dedicated ranger to monitor and enforce rules at west coast beaches is proof of this.

Increasing the number of bored dogs stuck at home being underwalked is a recipe for disaster for more animal management issues on an already stretched animal management staff. Many Aucklanders like ourselves deal with long daily commutes, live in townhouses with small backyards and are juggling busy family lives. Some people with disabilities rely on dog walking services as well, so using affordable dog walking services is a lifeline for many people to ensure they have happy, well exercised and stimulated dogs reducing the workload for animal management staff.

Auckland Council staff have said that people walking multiple dogs are creating nuisance and distress to the public. There is very little evidence of this being true and the main source of this is a survey conducted of the Auckland Council "Peoples Panel" which referenced anecdotal issues not backed up by complaints to Auckland Council Animal Management.

By Auckland Councils own data the most prominent issue facing dog management in Auckland is roaming dogs, not dogs being walked causing nuisance. I think this proposal is a reaction to negative media and not based on evidence.

If Auckland Council won't enforce the bylaw then the only people who will be impacted will be those that already follow all the rules, meaning rule breakers will continue to break the rules and issues will continue.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Do not support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Do not support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Do not support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park,Auckland Botanic Gardens,Hunua Ranges Regional Park,Long Bay Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park,Pākiri Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Tāpapakanga Regional Park,Tāwharanui Regional Park,Te Ārai Regional

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5134

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I would support a system which allows for the licensing of professional dog walkers to allow multiple dogs (more than proposed above) to be walked off leash. None of the proposals listed above address the current problem in Auckland of roaming dogs. There is no empirical evidence that professional dog walkers walking multiple dogs are a problem in Auckland. The effect of Councils proposals above will:

1. Put professinal dog walkers out of business or make access to their services unaffordable for dog owners.

2. Cause more dogs to be locked up inside during the day whilst their owners are at work thereby increasing the risk of dogs escaping and roaming.

3. Prevent dogs being socialised with other dogs. Socialising prevents dog reactivity and makes dogs calmer and more domesticated.

4. Prevents a valuable avenue for dog owners to train their dogs to be good citizens in Auckland society.

5. The above proposals would allow non-professional dog walkers to walk multiple dogs when they are not equipped to do so. This potentially cause more harm.

6. The proposals above will not achieve the objectives of Auckland's policy and by-law:

- Keep dogs a positive part of the life of Aucklanders - the proposals will cause dogs to be confined indoors for longer leading to behavioural issues.

- Minimises the problems that dogs an cause - the opposite will occur - it will excerbate the problems for the reasons set out above.

- ensures the welfare of dogs - obviously restricting a dog's ability to exercise and socialise with other dogs is not in the dogs' best interests.

There is no question that roaming dogs are a problem, but in proposing the above solutions the Council is ignoring the real problem and creating more problems for Auckland dog owners.

It is well known that the Council does not have the resources to enforce the above proposals - it doesn't enforce the rules that are currently in place. The effect of bylaws that cannot be enforced is to penalise law abiding citizens and allow those dog owners who are the cause of the problem (i.e. who own roaming dogs) to continue to allow them to roam. The only explanation for the proposals is therefore symbolism which has no

practical benefit whatsoever. The Council cannot increase its manpower without increasing rates payable by ratepayers which is already out of control and turning Auckland into an unaffordable city to live. By imposing rules which have the practical effect of making professional dog walking more expensive for dog owners, it will make dog ownership a privilege of the wealthy who can either afford dog walkers or who don't need to work or who can work from home. Given the predominence of problems with roaming dogs is in South Auckland, an area of low socio-economic status, it would discriminate agains the less well off. The Council shouild be looking at providing increased access to dog walking services to those in low socio-economic areas to prevent the roaming dog problem, not decreasing access. With dog ownership having risen during the pandemic (and the underlying problem now being seen), it is more important that ever that the Council takes steps to provide support to those who own dogs to ensure they become responsible dog owners.

Wellington Council has implemented a licensing system for professional dog walkers and so there should be empirical evidence of the benefit of such services and the cost to implement. I submit that the cost to implement a licensing system is cheap compared to the cost of enforcement of the proposals being advanced here. Professional dog walkers already have organised into a professional association and they would happily take on the burden of designing and implementing the system under Council management.

It is disappointing that the Council has chosen not to consult with the professional dog walking industry body - the explanation for which is not understood. For good law making, it is imperative that evidence is relied upon and experts are consulted. Councils should not be reactionary to seek political favour but should do what is the best solution based on evidence - good evidence is not a survey.

The solution to the current problems with roaming dogs lies in three things

1. A robust and enforceable registration system (largely already in place)

2. Desexing of dogs to be compulsory unless a breader (who should be licensed).

3. Licensing professional dog walkers

Finally, arguments that dogs cause harm to nature are simply not supported by the evidence. It is well documented that cats cause more harm to our native environment than dogs.

I conclude my submission by relaying my own personal experience of professional dog walkers. My own dog's behaviour and manners have improved significantly since he started pack walks with a professional dog walker. He is not reactionary and can be voice controlled. The walking service allows us to go about our daily lives knowing that our dog is well looked after and getting the so...

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

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Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5150

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Local Board: Upper Harbour

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Tell us why

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Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

I totally disagree with the ban of dogs on Forestry Beach.

For decades, ourselves and many others have been utilising this beach to enjoy with our dogs, it is a place to come and relax, enjoy a great walk, and allow the dogs to be able to swim and be o

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5223

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

It's currently working well imo

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Current rules work well

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Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Keep rules as they are, I believe they are working well

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5225

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

There seems to be a huge number of unregulated or unaccredited dog walking companies recently, leading to an increase in dog related aggressive incidents. In addition to this policy, I think we need to look at dog grooming and dog training facilities next - what are the basic qualifications for these individuals to work with our pets?

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Tell us why

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I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Only change the off-leash area to on-leash at all times

Tell us why

I think it's sad that the Council is restricting some more walking areas for dogs. It's like we are being penalized for the lack of care of a few dog owners. Auckland is today one of the most dog friendly NZ cities and am afraid that reputation is going to the dogs with this change in policy. I understand if we get stricter with leash rules, but creating more dig free areas is so disheartening. Every 3rd person in Auckland has a dog, how are we ok with inconveniencing so many people further? What's the point of the registration fees we pay every year if all we get is small patch of grass for our dogs to access?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

As per previous comment, what is this new policy achieving other than creating chaos for dog owners and their pets? Enforce on leash rules than prohibit our poor dogs from being in nature.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

As a regular user of Forestry Beach, we do NOT understand this at all. This beach has some of the most rule following dog owners and a complete community feel to it. What rules are being broken to prohibit our dogs from exercise and socialization?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I've seen dog walkers who do this for a living stop about 20 dogs who watched me walk past with my dogs, I was amazed, these people spend hours training g these dogs for pack walks and the dogs are so well behaved, I've also walked past one person with one dog who has no control over it and hasnt properly trained their dogs with it lunging and pulling to get to my dogs, I truly don't believe the amount of dogs make a difference it's all in the education they have be given

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

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Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

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Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I do not support the proposed limit on walking multiple dogs.

This rule punishes responsible dog owners and professional dog walkers while doing nothing to stop bad dog owners who already ignore the rules. Auckland doesn't have a problem with professional dog walkers—it has a problem with roaming, uncontrolled dogs, and that's where Council should be focusing its efforts.

I use professional dog walkers, and they have been incredible. My dog has gone from an energetic, excitable pup to the most well-behaved, under-control, and social dog—all thanks to the structured walks, training, and socialisation she gets with them. We recommend them to everyone.

One of those people was my boss. His dog was aggressive, getting formal complaints, and was on the verge of being put down. He started using our dog walkers, and now that same dog is in control, happy, and thriving. Without the expertise of these professional walkers—who this rule would directly impact—he wouldn't have been able to turn things around.

This rule won't fix anything because the number of dogs being walked isn't the issue—it's whether they are controlled. Professional dog walkers do control their dogs, and in many cases, they make dogs better behaved than they would have been otherwise. Instead of stopping them from doing their jobs, Council should:

- Develop a licensing system for professional dog walkers so they can keep doing their work in a structured, responsible way.

- Crack down on roaming dogs and the irresponsible owners who let them wander.

- Enforce the existing bylaws rather than creating new ones that don't solve the real problem.

The reality is that responsible dog walkers are part of the solution, not the problem. Penalising them does nothing except make life harder for responsible dog owners while the actual issues - roaming and aggressive dogs - continue unchecked.

I urge the Council to rethink this and focus on fixing what actually needs fixing.

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

The current system in my community works well, I have found no problems with how things are currently being run. Adding a limit to the amount of dogs feels pedantic and inconvenient to everyone. As long as the dogs are under control as the rule currently states, that's all that should matter.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

That's extremely confusing rather then specific which will just lead to more accidental on the owner's part fines and unrest in the dog walking community.

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

This beach is the longest a furtherest away from housing with the park as a barrier if they are under control

Correctly it shoyld not be a problem

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

With the city spreading it is harder to walk a dog off leash if properly controlled regional parks should be open to responsible ownes . A lot of owners do not properly control their animals which u fortunately reflects in those that do

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I DO NOT support the proposed limit on the number of dogs a person may walk.

Auckland has a problem with roaming dogs, and this proposed limit will do nothing to stop this, nor will it stop the bad dog owners who don't follow the rules.

This proposed rule change only punishes good dog owners, and will absolutely stop professional dog walkers from operating. None of the issues are caused by the number of dogs being walked at one time, so limiting the numbers will do nothing to stop the issues.

I'm all for the council to collaborate with the professional dog walkers and create some sort of license, to ensure that professional dog walkers are able to continue operating, and strongly believe that instead of focussing on the limit of dogs one person can walk, they should be focussing on being able to better enforce the existing rules and increase resources on controlling roaming dogs with irresponsible owners. There are multiple known problem dogs in my area which have attacked adults and chased children - which the council has done nothing about. Don't you think this is a bigger issue than more than 6 dogs under control by one walker?

My dog goes on regular pack walks with up to 10 dogs, every week. It's the best day of the week for him, and he looks forward to it every time. There have NEVER been any issues with the pack walking company having dogs out of control, and they often have multiple packs together. They are responsible, they ensure the safety of the dogs and the people around them. I know that my dog is well looked after, and I have seen a huge improvement in his behaviour and socialisation from these walks.

If the council were to bring in a limit to the number of dogs, the pack walking business would have to increase costs, and this would make it unaffordable for me, as well as most other dog owners. This would also likely result in a lot more dogs getting less exercise and socialisation, leading to more of the behaviours that the council are trying to avoid by bringing in these limits.

It doesn't make sense to me at all, and I would really be disappointed to see a limit imposed on multiple dog walkers. Please focus on the more important issues such as getting roaming dogs under control, instead of focussing on this.

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Ambury Regional Park,Tāwharanui Regional Park,Te Ārai Regional Park,Waitawa Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

The current loop is restricted and in all honesty not much of an area for dogs. Further restricting the areas around this is overkill.

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Tell us why

You have a fenced area this is sufficient

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Restricting access to a dog friendly beach in the area is not required, the limited area you are suggesting is not enough for locals or people visiting with dogs. Forestry beach offers a good option don’t take this away

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

It’s overkill already

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5364

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Do not support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

I don't know

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

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I support the proposed change

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Tooo complicated

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

Too many dogs to 1 person to care for is a safety issue for the dogs safety.

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Tell us why

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Do not support

Tell us why

Council does not have fair and safe ways to label dogs as menacing- they are labelling many dogs as menacing when they are not.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Only a qualified vet behaviourist should be doing this. Not a protocol set up by council with no research or supporting evidence. Far too many animals have been killed because of terrible council laws.

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Do not support

Tell us why

Im disgusted at how dogs are made to be the problem and have limitations pushed on them but the humans are the ones destroying out parks and beaches. The dirty nappy was left in our local park.

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Do not support

Tell us why

Stop limiting the dogs access. Help make the owners responsible. Keep humans responsible for their choices.

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

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Support

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Leave the dogs alone! They are not the problem

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I am writing as someone who sends their dog on weekly pack walks with a professional dog walker who is also a qualified trainer. This experience has been invaluable in helping my dog develop into a well-balanced and well-socialized companion. She now interacts perfectly with other dogs, which demonstrates the positive impact that skilled, professional pack walks can have.

I strongly believe that licensing professional dog walkers is the best approach to improving industry standards. Simply reducing the number of dogs per walker will not address the issue of unqualified or irresponsible operators. If the council is genuinely committed to ensuring public safety and responsible dog ownership, it should focus on regulating the industry through licensing rather than imposing arbitrary restrictions. This would provide peace of mind to dog owners and the public, ensuring that only qualified professionals are entrusted with group walks.

Additionally, I strongly disagree with the proposal to allow only half of the dogs off-leash at a time. Anyone experienced in walking multiple dogs understands that keeping some on-leash while others are off-leash creates unnecessary frustration and tension among the dogs. This approach is not only impractical but also unfair to the dogs involved. Licensing professional dog walkers would ensure that they have the skills to assess whether a dog is suitable for off-leash walking and the ability to maintain reliable recall when necessary.

From my experience, the majority of dogs sent on professional pack walks are well-behaved and deeply cared for by their owners—these are not the dogs contributing to Auckland's issues with irresponsible ownership. Overregulation risks damaging a valuable industry that benefits dogs, owners, and the wider community. Instead of imposing restrictive and counterproductive rules, the council should focus on making Auckland a truly dog-friendly city.

Your policy document states that Auckland aims to be dog-friendly, yet the proposed actions contradict this goal. Cities such as London, San Francisco, and many across Europe successfully integrate dogs into public life by focusing on licensing and enforcement rather than restricting responsible ownership. If Auckland genuinely aspires to be a world-leading city, it should take a similar approach—regulating and monitoring

professional walkers effectively rather than placing unnecessary burdens on responsible owners and businesses.

Once again, I urge the council to use common sense. These restrictions will punish responsible dog walkers and owners while doing little to address the real problems. Without proper enforcement, those who currently disregard the rules will continue to do so, while law-abiding individuals bear the consequences. I strongly encourage the council to reconsider this approach in favor of practical and fair regulation.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5505

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We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Do not support

Tell us why

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Do not support

Tell us why

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Do not support

Tell us why

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Do not support

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Do not support

Tell us why

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Do not support

Tell us why

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Do not support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Do not support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Do not support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

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Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5517

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Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Because from the data you have shown, there is no reason to change the rules.

You data has no logic - it has been written by an office worker who unfortunately has little understanding of data and the usage for gathering evidence.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

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Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

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Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

**Thee is no real reason to change the access form what it is at present. There are minimal areas where you can exercise dogs and there is no real data to support changes. **

Other than someones opinion.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5525

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Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Common sense prevails - Dog owners know their dogs obedience capabilities and judge how many dogs they can keep under control.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Dogs should be allowed on all public areas on lead, and dog owners must collect their dogs waste. To ensure dog owners are following these rules, these areas should be monitored and offences should be fined.

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

This proposal doesn't account for professional dog walkers. I think their industry should be regulated, and they should be licenced to be able to have more dogs off-leash than the general public. There needs to be some kind of vetting process to ensure they are skilled and proficient at keeping the dogs under control. Our dogs benefit from pack walks, and as a result they are better behaved and well socialised, compared to before attending pack walks.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

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Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Long Bay Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

If dogs are on leash between 10am to 5pm they are under control and should therefore be allowed access.

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other

areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5685

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum eight dogs, with no more than four off-leash

Tell us why

It would be better to have license professionals and limits rather than blanket limits which will be detrimental to to those that run a dog business in a professional organized manner.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

As dog owners the rules concearn us and we would have a say in our areas, cars have no laws - just saying.

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Again rules need to be sensible achievable and created by those that own the dogs not just those filling in paper, not one idea fits all.

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

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Do not support

Tell us why

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Support

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Dogs should be allowed leashed on at least some of the non moutain bike tracks. Community spaces for all Community rate payers.

Long Bay Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Dogs should be able to continue to be allowed leashed in specified zone during the day, dogs are part of family units.

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Making them accessible for dogs with families in a safe manner is essential for wellbeing of family units and respect for all rate payers. The issue isn't with current rules and those that follow them, but with those that don't and lack of consequences.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5696

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

I think these limits are all perfect. No self-respecting owner should be trying to walk more than 6 dogs on leashes. The footpaths aren't wide enough for any larger pack of dogs, and there's no way the owners would be able to control anymore than that at once. I'm not so certain about the number of off-leash dogs. I personally don't think any dogs should be allowed to be outside in public areas unleashed. But if you are going to allow such a practice, I suppose limiting the number to 3 is pretty reasonable.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

No additional comments. I think all these proposed changes are more than reasonable and will be very good for Aucklanders.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5702

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

The original policy is clear. I don't think it needs changing

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

To complicated

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Too complicated

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We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Dogs under control should be able to go to this park

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Auckland

What local board area is this location in?

I don't know

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To respond to opportunities for greater dog access without impacting other users (e.g. an area to take a dog under control off a leash). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5745

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Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Lincensing/ training so all dogwalkers have the correct skill to keep walking multiple dogs. Remove dogwalkers that are not able to do so safely

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

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Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I don't know

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum eight dogs, with no more than four off-leash

Tell us why

I think that 8 is a more realistic number

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

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Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Dog access rules:

Need to be easier to understand

Need to take a more balanced view of the responsible attitudes and behaviour of the majority of dog owners

Reflect that to be mentally and physically healthy dogs [and their owners] need to have access to more than just featureless green spaces

Need to facilitate owners and their dogs being able to engage in physical exercise and activity - in line with the Minister of Health's strategic policy statement

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

I'm very interested to know when Auckland Council will be publishing a policy and bylaws that create realistic control over the ownership of cats, which currently roam freely - and collectively arguably cause greater environmental damage than dogs.

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

It should be possible to walk a dog under control on a leash

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Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

It makes no sense to require dogs to be on a leash on the Loop Track, particularly before 10.00a.m and after 5.00p.m.

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Sanders Reserve

What local board area is this location in?

Upper Harbour

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To respond to opportunities for greater dog access without impacting other users (e.g. an area to take a dog under control off a leash). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Allow dogs off leash before 09.30 and after 17.30 in all areas of the Reserve.

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

This location is used very infrequently early and late in the day by anyone other than responsible dog owners.

Restricting dogs to a small, virtually featureless grass area does not encourage adequate physical exercise or positive mental health for owners

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Simplification would be welcome: wider access before 09.30 and after 17.30 or 18.00, particularly outside high summer.

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5827

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

I do not believe enforcing a limit on the amount of dogs being walked is going to help the statistics as it will significantly impact the professionals who have the expertise in handling larger packs of dogs. If anything enforcing a blanket limit will cause more issues. I think the best course of action would be to enforce a licensing system amongst professionals. I understand the PDWA would be more than willing to help police this.

You have to recognize the benefits that pack walkers provide, giving dogs an outlet to be just dogs, unmatchable exercise and training that goes along side this. If owners are unable to access a service like this, there will be many many dogs not receiving appropriate exercise, having their social interactions managed where needed and being taught appropriate social interactions. I agree that there a few bag eggs in the industry but the industry as a whole should not be penalized for the uneducated.

If necessary, having a blanket rule for public but a license for professionals would be ideal.

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Support

Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

I don’t know

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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I support the proposed change

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Agree with most of the new bylaw however do not agree with prohibiting dogs on Forestry Beach, this has been a popular dog walking spot for a long time.

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

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Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

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Tell us why

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#5862

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Do not support

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

It will put a lot of people out of jobs, Why don't you change it so that they have to take a course or have a qualification in order to walk x amount of dogs

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

They shouldn't be classified as menacing without a prior, whereas right now you are just labeling all "pitbulls" or bully breeds as menacing when that is NOT the case. It's all about the owners not the breeds. I work with animals and have seen more chihuahua's do damage than any bully breed

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

It is stupid to get the dogs deemed as menacing by send in photos of what the dog looks like. It should have to be put through training as deemed menacing by someone who is trained to recognize actually dangerous dogs

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Do not support

Tell us why

Why does the whole country have to suffer because people can't train their dogs? Just make it so they have to be on leash

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Do not support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Do not support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Do not support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

Instead of trying to fix problems as they arise, why don't you actually go to the root of the problem.

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park,Auckland Botanic Gardens,Hunua Ranges Regional Park,Long Bay Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park,Pākiri Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Tāpapakanga Regional Park,Tāwharanui Regional Park,Te Ārai Regional

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Where do you expect people to walk their dogs?

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Why don't you just have it under control on leash, and it can't be one of those stupid stretchy/extending leads

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Just change it so Dogs have to be on lead, and not a strechy/extending leads. They should be illegal for dogs

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#5880

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Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

If a limit is put in place, at least give experienced dog trainers and walkers the opportunity to be licensed or hold a permit to have more off lead. Off lead pack time is a crucial part of rehabilitation of dogs with aggression issues.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

This question does not say what may change... so am unsure what i would be supporting

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Do not support

Tell us why

There are some studies to show that neutering dogs can increase aggression. So I would put more emphasis and responsibility on the owner rather than jump straight to such a drastic measure. License the owner!

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

I don’t know

Tell us why

This would be excellent IF the list of trainers included ones such as myself who don't necessarily have the "nz recognised qualifications (as the nz qualification is hugely lacking and only supports purely positive trainers). It is important to not be bias towards

one ideology. I have put a lot of time and money into my training and believe that it is important to have an array of different trainers with various techniques and ideologies to support the community as a whole.

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Do not support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

I would like to have the southern end's wildlife more protected

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

It would be a complete shame to loose the beach access. I think dogs must be under control at all times, so wildlife is not disturbed. But the current bylaw already covers this.

Waitawa Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I DO NOT SUPPORT the proposed limit on the number of dogs a person can walk.

Auckland has a serious issue with roaming dogs, and this restriction does nothing to address that problem or hold irresponsible owners accountable. Instead, it unfairly penalises responsible dog owners and would make it nearly impossible for professional dog walkers to operate.

The number of dogs being walked at once is not the issue—enforcement of existing rules and better management of roaming dogs should be the council's main priority.

Rather than imposing these absurd limits, the council should be working with professional dog walkers to implement a licensing system to help regulate the industry. This would ensure high standards without putting them out of business.

There are multiple known problem dogs in my area which have attacked adults and chased children - yet the council has taken no action, even after these being reported by multiple people. Isn't this a bigger issue than a professional walker managing six or more well-behaved dogs?

My dog attends weekly pack walks with a responsible company, and it's the highlight of his week. These walks are safe, well-managed and provide invaluable exercise, training, and socialisation.

If the council were to bring in a limit to the number of dogs, the dog walking businesses would have to increase costs, and this would make it unaffordable for me, as well as most other dog owners. This would also likely result in a lot more dogs getting less exercise and socialisation, leading to more of the behaviours that the council are trying to avoid by bringing in these limits.

It doesn't make sense to me at all, and I would really be disappointed to see a limit imposed on multiple dog walkers. I instead urge the council to focus on the real issues, like enforcing existing regulations and controlling roaming dogs, rather than restricting responsible dog walkers. This proposed limit is unnecessary and counterproductive.

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Do not support

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No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Not effecting anybody in the situation and doesn't help with some peoples jobs

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Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Professional walkers should be licensed. Most non-professional walkers don't have more than 2/3 dogs with them.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

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Tell us why

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I support the proposed change

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Tell us why

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum eight dogs, with no more than four off-leash

Tell us why

If you limit number of dogs, imagine how can they enjoy life? If a pet sitter or walker is licensed enough to handle multiple dogs, that should be fine.

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Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Do not support

Tell us why

Stop making rules about breed or dangerous classes, humans are way more dangerous than dogs.

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

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Do not support

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Tell us why

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Do not support

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

This appears to be a sensible approach as it is risky having more than this many dogs on of off leash at the same time.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

To protect wildlife and people there should be more restrictions on dog access at regional parks.

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

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I support the proposed change

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I support the proposed change

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

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Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

To protect wildlife and people there should be more restrictions on dog access at regional parks.

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Birkenhead War Memorial Park

What local board area is this location in?

Kaipātiki

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To respond to new threats to the environment (e.g. kauri dieback or damage to stream banks). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

There has been a lot of ecological restoration work in this area. Allowing dogs off leash risks harming the native fauna and flora of this area. There are kauri in this area and dogs off leash risks spreading kauri dieback disease.

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

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Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Sydney and other cities have strict rules on keeping dogs on leash in all public spaces except for designated dog off leash areas. This is to protect people and wildlife.

If these cities can do it, so can Auckland.

It's the right thing to do with a growi

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

There are many excellent dog walkers who can manage multiple dogs and while there have been some high profile issues they are on the minority

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1. Walking multiple dogs

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

I do not support the proposed limit on walking multiple dogs.

The proposed limit will only penalise responsible dog owners by impacting our ability to access professional services readily that are affordable and overall the restriction will not stop irresponsible people who do not follow existing laws.

Auckland has a serious issue with roaming dogs and Council should focus on this not multiple dog walkers who make up a tiny amount of reported issues. I have previously lived in Ranui, a suburb that has a prolific stray dog issue, there have been many times where I have not been able to walk my dogs due to potentially dangerous roaming dogs in the area. As a female walking my own dogs I did not feel safe doing so with roaming dogs within metres of my home, I have even come home from walks with stray dogs on my property. One of which was not dog or people friendly and I was lucky enough the owner came by to restrain their dog so that I could enter my own property safely. It's also an absolute travesty that where we have tried to do the responsible thing by reporting a roaming dog, it has taken over 40mins waiting for someone to answer my call only to be told an AM officer would be around "in another hour or so".

I support a license being developed to regulate professional dog walkers to ensure those who are operating in that capacity have the skills to handle multiple dogs and continue provide a valuable service to me and the community. My dogs are large breeds with medium to high energy levels, being able to go out with a dog walker every week has been invaluable and I have seen a massive improvement in their behaviour and socialisation, I love knowing that they are well looked after and exercised on the days they go out. They are calmer when they return which causes less noise for my neighbors while living in medium density housing.

We are responsible dog owners who met with multiple pack walk providers before deciding on a business that fit our needs and who would be a good fit for our dogs. With full time jobs which require in office days, having my dogs go out on pack walks provides me peace of mind that they are receiving the right level of exercise and socialisation.

The restrictions proposed would negatively impact responsible owners' ability to access professional services like this both in affordability and availability, and I personally believe it would have a negative impact on the behavior of our dogs as we are not in a

position to take them on adventures ourselves nor do we have the expertise to socialize them appropriately with unknown dogs. Under exercised dogs result in more barking, reactivity and destructive behavior, and I believe we would see the impact in other aspects of animal management such as more noise complaints, more surrendered dogs and potentially more dog attacks.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

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Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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Tell us why

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

I support this change. I, personally, have seen the chaos that ensues when dog walkers walk in public areas with sometimes 16 dogs. Furthermore, a friend of mine is a dog walker and I can honestly say that some of the stories she has told me about others in the industry and their irresponsible behaviours with 16 dogs off lead and "pack fights" with other off-lead dogs is horrifying.

She initially asked me to sign this in support. However, I truly believe that this should be capped!

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Tell us why

As someone who regularly sends my dog on professional pack walks with a qualified trainer, I've seen the positive impact these walks have on socialization and behavior. My dog is well-balanced and interacts well with other dogs, proving the value of skilled, professional walkers.

Reducing the number of dogs a trained pack walker can walk will not impact the actual problem dog encounters - the owners who say "my dogs really friendly" and let them run loose out of control, where they run up to other dogs on a leash who may not like this behaviour. It is these owners who created issues for my young dog when in training, and it is the pack walking with a trainer and group of other well balanced dogs that has helped her become a well balanced dog herself.

My elderly mother also uses a pack walking service - it enables her to give her dog that exciting extra bit of exercise and training he needs each week above the short daily walk she can manage and means she can continue keeping her companion by her side, knowing she is fulfilling all his needs, something she may have to reconsider if dog walking limits are raised and the cost becomes prohibited.

Licensing dog walkers, rather than reducing the number of dogs per walker, is the best way to improve industry standards. It would ensure only qualified professionals are entrusted with group walks, offering peace of mind to owners and the public.

The proposal to limit off-leash dogs is impractical. It creates tension and frustration for the dogs, and experienced walkers can properly assess when a dog is suitable for off-leash activities.

Overregulating could harm the industry, punishing responsible owners and walkers while doing little to address irresponsible behavior. The council should follow the example of cities like London and San Francisco, focusing on licensing and enforcement instead of restricting responsible ownership. These restrictions won't solve the problem, and I urge the council to reconsider.

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Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

Dog walker would not be able to control more than this number

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

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Do not support

Tell us why

I think as a responsible dog owner we should have some say and be able to enjoy taking our dogs with us as they are part of the family and as long as we control our dogs on lead in public places and clean up after our animals that we should be allowed to have them with us in public

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

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Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Do not support

Tell us why

I think responsible dog owners already have rules and most of us follow these rules

Imposing further rules means more dogs will not be socialised in public and will be left at home and become unsociable

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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If the council is going to impose strict dog rules then they need to provide more dog parks for walking dogs and letting them run

Most dog owners are responsible and it is the few that are letting down the majority

If these continual dog owners are the problem then there should be tighter rules for them but not for everyone

Dogs are part of a family and go out with families if you bring in stricter rules then dogs will become unsociable and therefore cause more issues than the majority of dogs do now

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

This will restrict families taking their dogs for a long walk and being with their families

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Tell us why

If the dog is on lead and the family have good control of the dog there should not be the need for restrictions

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

North shore beaches and coastline

What local board area is this location in?

Waitematā

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

Other - please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

To allow dog owners to walker their dogs on the beach at anytime as long as they are on a leash under control and dog owners pick up dog faeces being responsible dog owners

Please explain your issue in more detail:

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Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

As above

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#6404

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Dog walking industry should be regulated and each business assessed. The proposal is unfair to the businesses that train the dogs in their care and allow the 'cowboy' businesses to alienate the industry.

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Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

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I support the proposed change

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

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Other (please explain below)

Tell us why

Setting a number isn't going to solve the problem. I have encountered a single person walking one dog, and they have no control over the dog - I had to walk in the other direction as it was intimidating. I have encountered a single person walking what looked to be 20 dogs and they had total control and never once felt unsafe.

I think harsher consequences for losing control/losing a dog need to be the solution.

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Tell us why

It's punishing good dog owners!!

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Tell us why

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I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Seems to be again punishing good dog owners!

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Just reduces the places responsible dog owners can take their dogs!!

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Support

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Tell us why

I have noticed a significant increase in dog walking businesses using public parks to exercise the dogs they are being paid to care for. My personal observations are that these businesses have low staff : dog ratios, single person supervisors are the norm, dogs pooing is unattended and not cleaned up, dogs run without being managed by business staffers left to be managed by people walking their own dogs

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I support the proposed change

Tell us why

too many dogs at the reserve including professional dog minding businesses not properly supervisoring or cleaning up after the dogs

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Dogs should under control at all times on or offlead. Our current rules are barely enforced.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

You should be able to own and register as many dogs as you like as long as they are cared for and have the appropriate space

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Yes clarify them. But do not restrict dog access any further.

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Leave it as it is

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Leave it as an off leash beach it's one of the only ones.

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#6662

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current rules (no limit on the number of dogs and all dogs must be under control at all times)

Tell us why

Working dog walking professionals should not be restricted when walking dogs. If anything, maybe requiring a permit

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

The rules and restrictions are too strict and not supporting of dog owners

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Do not support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Do not support

Tell us why

Stop restricting dog access! Make Auckland more dog friendly.

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Do not support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Do not support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Do not support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

Please support dog owners and make Auckland more dog friendly. It’s already too restrictive. Professional dog walkers should be supported and not restricted. Stop limiting where we can walk our dogs

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Long Bay Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Wenderholm Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

We need more dog off leash during the day in summer

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Please continue to allow dogs on lead

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Are there any dog access rules at other Regional Parks and associated beaches in Auckland that you think council should change?

Your feedback on this section will inform any future review of dog access rules. A future review has not been scheduled at this

Location 1:

What is the full name of the location where you want to change the dog access rules?

Takapuna

What local board area is this location in?

Devonport-Takapuna

In general, how would you like dog access at this location to change?

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

To respond to opportunities for greater dog access without impacting other users (e.g. an area to take a dog under control off a leash). Please specify:

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain your issue in more detail:

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Please allow more access for dogs

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#6710

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash unless licence obtained

Tell us why

For general public I think there should be a limit to how many dogs can be walked, however, I think a license system will be best for professionals and experience multiple dog owners. Pack walks have brought so much value to mine and my dogs life, especially because I work long hours. Without a pack walking service my dogs would lead very boring, un-enriched lives. The experienced pack walkers allow dogs to socialize in a controlled manner as well as give them adequate exercise. It would be a shame to have these services banned when only 0.7% of complaints have been about professional dog walkers.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

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Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#6767

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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Tell us why

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Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

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Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

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A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

No change to current Policy (dog access) rules

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I do not support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Too many rules and too many inconsistencies makes it really difficult for the general law abiding Aucklanders to follow and the new proposals are a mess of extra rules which won't work. The people to target are those who don't pay their dog registrations,

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1. Walking multiple dogs

We are proposing to set a limit on the number of dogs that a person may walk in a council-controlled public place at one time. The proposed number of dogs a person has in their possession in a council-controlled public place must not exceed the following limits:

Maximum number of dogs (both on-leash or off-leash): 6

Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

Do not support

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Maximum four dogs, with no more than two off-leash unless licence obtained

Tell us why

Dogs should be walked on leash, except for when they are in parks, when they can be off leash in designated areas, and definitely not allowed to roam free by the children's play area.

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

I don’t know

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Support

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Support

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Support

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Support

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Support

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Auckland Botanic Gardens,Hunua Ranges Regional Park,Long Bay Regional Park,Mahurangi Regional Park,Muriwai Regional Park,Shakespear Regional Park,Whakanewha Regional Park

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I don't know

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

I support the proposed change

Mahurangi Scott Point

I don't know

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I support the proposed change

Tell us why

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-

leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

0

Tell us why

Do you have any further comments about dog access rules at Regional Parks?

Dogs should be kept on leash at all times when walking as sometimes the owners cannot manage an off-leash dog

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

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Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

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Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: I strongly request that on ARMY BAY beach and foreshore areas east of the boat ramp that DOGS ARE ALLOWED according to the time and season rule for the rest of ARMY BAY.

Reason: The cliffs to the east of the boat ramp

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: I strongly request that on ARMY BAY beach and foreshore areas east of the boat ramp that DOGS ARE ALLOWED according to the time and season rule for the rest of ARMY BAY.

Reason: The cliffs to the east of the boat ramp

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

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#7094

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1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

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What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

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We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

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Hunua Ranges Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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What do you think of this proposed change?

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Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

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What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence

Proposed updates to the council's dog policy and bylaw and regional park dog access rules

#7218

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Maximum number of on-leash dogs: 6

Maximum number of off-leash dogs: 3

1A. What do you think of this proposed change?

1B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

2. General policy and bylaw matters

To improve our approach to dog management and the bylaw rules, we are proposing to reorganise, simplify and clarify the policy and bylaw content.

What do you think of the following proposed changes?

Restructure the policy to more clearly show its goal, focus areas, council actions, and rules:

Tell us why

Clarify rule that all dogs classified as menacing must be to neuter:

Tell us why

Clarify who can provide behavioural assessments in relation to menacing dog classifications:

Tell us why

Clarify what areas in Auckland require a licence to keep multiple dogs on a property:

Tell us why

Clarify how dog access rules are set:

Tell us why

Clarify Auckland-wide dog access rules (for example, rules at council carparks and camping grounds, for working dogs, dogs in vehicles and private ways):

Tell us why

Clarify or correct errors in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules:

Tell us why

Remove outdated information in Policy Schedule 2: Dog access rules (for example, outdated landmarks):

Tell us why

Update dog access rules for Tūpuna Maunga (ancestral mountains):

Tell us why

Remove outdated or duplicate bylaw content:

Tell us why

Do you have comments on any of the above proposed changes?

Do you have any further comments on the proposed policy and bylaw changes?

3. Dog access rules at Regional Parks

Submitters were able to select from the following list to provide feedback on any of the 14 Regional Parks we are proposing to amend or clarify the dog access rules:

Ambury Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Auckland Botanic Gardens

We are proposing to change the off-leash rule at the Auckland Botanic Gardens and to prohibit dogs from all waterways and busy community areas.

A. What do you think of this proposed change?

B. If you do not support the proposed change, would you support one of the alternative options presented to decision-makers in December 2024?

Tell us why

Hunua Ranges Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs from tracks and roads that connect to the Kohukohunui track, the Kokako Management Area and Piggott's Habitat and from single-use mountain bike tracks (currently on-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Long Bay Regional Park

We are proposing to amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited and clarify rules in other areas, including access to beach from southernmost carpark and prohibited tracks and bays.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Mahurangi Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Culdip Point Loop Track (currently on-leash), allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point (currently on-leash time and season) and clarify rules in other areas (including dogs prohibited at Mahurangi Regional Park (East) and heritage grounds at Scott Point.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi Regional Park (West)

Mahurangi East

Mahurangi Scott Point

Tell us why

Muriwai Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Pākiri Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on the associated beach (currently off-leash).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Shakespear Regional Park

We are proposing to apply an on-leash time and season rule to the open grass areas between Army Bay and Okoramai Bay (currently off-leash) and clarify rules in other areas (such as boundary of Army Bay and Okoramai Bay beaches, on-leash tracks and prohibited areas).

What do you think of this proposed change?

I do not support the proposed change

Tell us why

I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: I strongly request that on ARMY BAY beach and foreshore areas east of the boat ramp that DOGS ARE ALLOWED according to the time and season rule for the rest of ARMY BAY.

Reason: The cliffs to the east of the boat ramp

Tāpapakanga Regional Park

We are proposing to provide off-leash access on the beach and on-leash access on areas between the beach and car park at any time (currently prohibited during lambing season) and clarify rules in other areas (such as prohibited at camping areas and bach, and during lambing).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tāwharanui Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Te Ārai Regional Park

We are proposing to prohibit dogs on Forestry Beach (Te Ārai Beach South to Pākiri Beach) and associated coastal tracks and to clarify access to off-leash area at the disused quarry.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Waitawa Regional Park

We are proposing to change the eastern part of Mataitai Beach from off-leash to on-leash (western part of beach to remain off-leash), change Waitawa Beach from off-leash to on-leash, prohibit dogs on single use mountain bike tracks and clarify other areas where dogs are prohibited (such as farm paddocks during lambing season, campground and bach).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Wenderholm Regional Park

We are proposing to clarify the current rules (no change to dog access).

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Whakanewha Regional Park

We are proposing to provide on-leash access on tracks from Omiha (Rocky Bay) to the on-leash area of the Park.

What do you think of this proposed change?

Tell us why

Tell us why

Do you want the change to apply to the entire location or a section of it?

What is the main reason you want to change the current dog access rule?

Please explain why you want to change the dog access rule at this location, and provide any additional information or evidence